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FUTURE HOPE: The children of Kent, in Sierra Leone, pictured outside school

THANK YOU

Sierra Leone villagers and UK Prime Minister praise KoS readers

TONY Blair has congratulated Kent on Sunday and its readers for our campaign to help the village of Kent in Sierra Leone.

The message of support from the Prime Minister of Great Britain came as KoS delivered schoolbooks and educational materials to the war-torn country.

In an exclusive article for this newspaper, Mr Blair praised the "fantastic generosity" of our readers and said he was delighted to give his personal support to this "very worthwhile cause".

Kent village chief Tunde Savage said to KoS readers: "Thank you, thank you, thank you."

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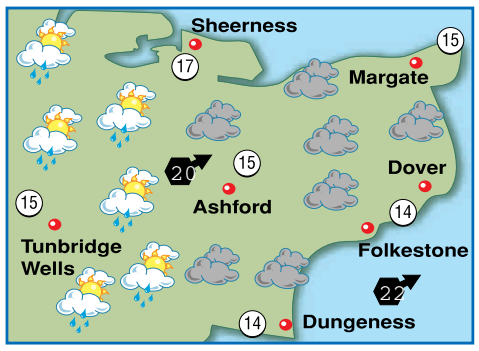
Kent today



TODAY: Cloudy with plenty of showers. The evening will still be cloudy but showers will ease. A moderate southwesterly breeze. Max temp 14-17C (57-63F).
TONIGHT: Variable amounts of cloud with scattered heavy showers. Gentle westerly winds. Min temp 10-13C (50-55F).

Around Britain

		°C	°F			°C	°F
Aberdeen	rain	13	55	London	rain	16	61
Belfast	rain	16	61	Liverpool	rain	17	63
Birmingham	rain	15	59	Manchester	showers	15	59
B'mouth	showers	16	61	Newcastle	showers	16	61
Bristol	rain	15	59	Norwich	showers	19	66
Cardiff	showers	17	63	Oxford	showers	16	61
Cork	showers	15	59	Southsea	rain	15	59
Edinburgh	showers	14	57	S'hampton	rain	16	61
Glasgow	showers	15	59	Southport	sun	15	59
Isle of Man	cloudy	15	59	Swansea	rain	16	61
Leeds	showers	15	59	Torquay	rain	15	59

Sun & moon

Sunrise	4.38am	Sunset	9.18pm	Lighting up times: 9.18pm to 4.38am
Moonrise	3.22pm	Moonset	12.57am	

High Tides

	today				tomorrow			
		ht (m)		ht (m)		ht (m)		ht (m)
Dover	07.00	5.2	19.19	5.5	08.04	5.2	20.23	5.5
Margate	07.52	3.9	20.05	3.9	08.48	3.8	21.04	3.8
St Mary's	00.09	4.3	12.48	4.2	01.13	4.3	13.50	4.3

Week ahead

monday Showers, heavy. max 15C min 9C
tuesday Isolated showers. max 15C min 9C
wednesday Isolated showers. max 16C min 10C
thursday Isolated showers. max 17C min 10C
friday Isolated showers. max 17C min 11C
saturday Isolated showers. max 19C min 12C

SPECIAL REPORT

KoS readers donated hundreds of

Your books help Kent's young begin bright new chapter in their lives

From **BERNARD GINNS**
in the village of Kent, Sierra Leone

IN many ways, it was the simplest of gifts. But the appreciation of the people of Kent, in Sierra Leone, was heartfelt and genuine. They know that the donation of hundreds of schoolbooks will help their children achieve a better education – and will help future generations to meet the challenges of rebuilding their war-torn country.

These challenges are great and many as Sierra Leone is officially the second poorest country in the world. And despite its awesome natural beauty, it shows. But its people have pride, spirit and a real desire to lift up the standard of living for future generations.

Last week, on behalf of our readers, I had the privilege of delivering the boxes of books to the village in the West African country.

I visited the schoolhouse, situated in an old slave depository, and I met the children who will benefit from our readers' compassion.

The pre-school class had prepared a special song of welcome and thanks to our readers. After their performance, I told all the pupils how the people of Kent in England had responded in a magnificent way when they were asked to help this village.

And I told them how Kent on Sunday was overwhelmed by donations from readers.

In a message to our readers, Samuel Massah, 32, a community chairman, said: "We are giving them great, great praise and thank you because we were not expecting this. But they have donated these for our children. We must make sure they reach down to the children to develop their education backgrounds."

After the presentation, the children, smartly dressed in their immaculate school uniforms, excitedly helped to unload the cargo from the back of our transport and took the books and educational materials into the school.

Eventually, the villagers hope to build a school library that, it is hoped, will benefit hundreds of children for years to come.

The village of Kent is home to around 1,000 people. Their main source of income is through fishing and most of the men work as fishermen. They have 60 canoes and two fishing boats with outboard motors. There are just over 100 people in the primary school and around 40 pupils in the pre-school.

It became clear during my visit that they need much more than just schoolbooks, pens and pads of paper.

There is no electricity and just a well and single standpipe for water. The houses are made of corrugated iron and rudimentary cement blocks or wattle and daub – and they do not always stand up well to the torrential storms and squalls of the rainy season. The pre-school is a wooden structure with torn plastic material as roofing.

Village leaders told me they need a pump for the village well. They need to repair a bridge that links the village to the cemetery.

And they need a new bell for their church, St Edward's, which was founded in 1864 and is the focal point for their community.

Of course, the village school will benefit from the books. But running the school presents constant difficulties.

The primary school has four teachers, two of whom have been paid for by the government. One is supported by an English church charity; the village tries to support the other.

But as village secretary Balogun Williams explained: "We are very, very poor. The community teacher, Denis Moore, has been here for four or five months without salary. The money here comes from fishing, but in the last two weeks there has been no catch. We want him to stay in the village."

> **'We must make sure the books reach down to the children to develop their education backgrounds'**

Mr Moore's salary is between 100,000-250,000 Leones a month. This is around £20-50 a month.

If a child wants to go to secondary school, the village must pay transport fees and school charges – £1.50 a day and £15 a term respectively – to send them to a bigger school in the nearest town, Tombo, which is eight miles away. These costs are simply too much money for many people.

A tour of the village and the immediate countryside reveals that it this a beautiful place. The settlement lies at the southern tip of the Western Peninsula, jutting out into the Atlantic Ocean.

It is surrounded, like our Kent, by water on three sides. Inland are mountains and jungle. The beach, the pride of the village, is spectacular. According to Mr Williams, it is rated as the best in Sierra Leone. Long, straight with immaculately clean golden sands, it is probably one of the finest in Africa.

Next to the beach is the village cemetery. Here are the graves of those who perished during the era of the slave trade when Kent was used as a holding centre for slaves.

They would be kept in a cramped and smelly dungeon beneath the slave yard – now the schoolhouse – awaiting transportation to Bunce Island, a slave-trading post in the Freetown estuary. From there they would be shipped to Europe and America.

Other graves include those of English missionaries who made Kent their home – and who

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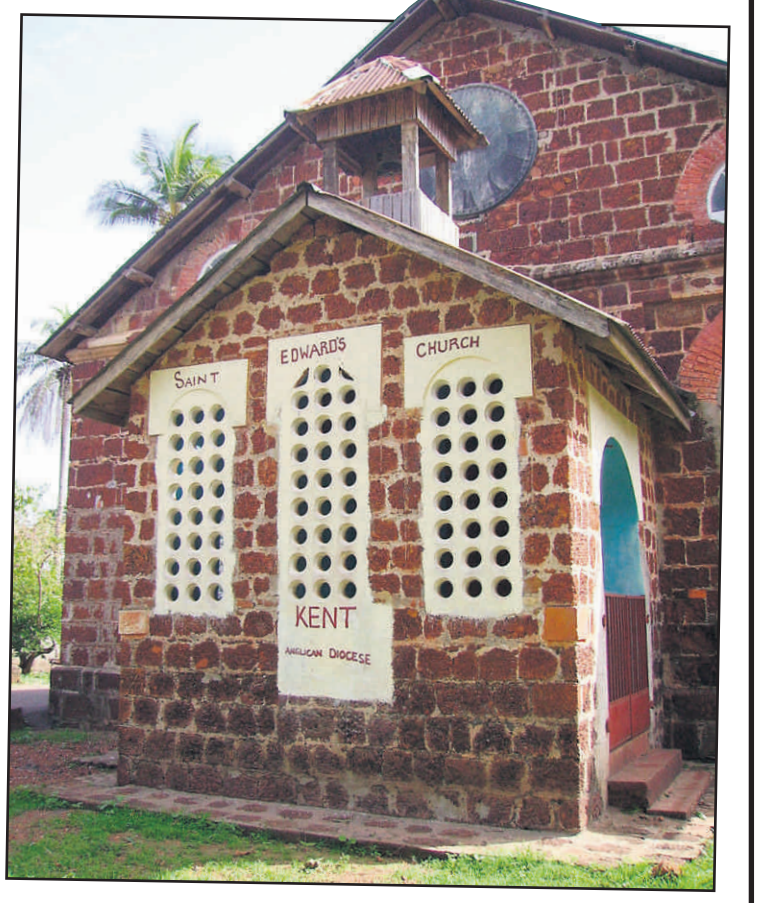
schoolbooks for the children of Kent in Sierra Leone. We delivered them last week

NOTABLES: (l-r) Samuel Massah, Balogun Williams, Kallie Kamaia and Tunde Savage; and Kent's beach (above)



FOCUS: St Edward's Church (above) of the Anglican diocese was founded in 1864; and the pre-school building (below) for 40 pupils

VILLAGE LIFE: Women collect water from the well (left); and the remains of the bridge to the cemetery (above)

GENERATIONS: Pre-schoolers with Mr Massah (left) and KoS editor Bernard Ginns (right)

are thought to have christened it in the early part of the 19th century.

Unfortunately, the bridge that links the village to the graveyard no longer exists; just the foundations remain.

According to village chief, Tunde Savage, fixing the bridge and getting a pump for the well are their main priorities. Mr Savage, 65, wants Kent in Sierra Leone to be twinned with Kent, or a district of Kent, in the UK.

FOR Mr Savage and his residents, initiatives like Kent on Sunday's have real, tangible results – unlike international funding perhaps, which is given to countries at government level and which doesn't always find its way down to places like Kent.

In his address to KoS, Mr Savage said the village looked forward to more assistance from its English counterpart so it could "grow strength to strength". He spoke of "combining ourselves, so we can grow more and more". And he said to me: "Please don't forget us here."

Any council representatives or readers who can help 'twin' Kent in Sierra Leone with Kent in England are invited to contact me by email at bernard.ginns@kosmedia.co.uk or in writing to Bernard Ginns, Editor, Kent on Sunday, Apple Barn, Hythe Road, Smeeth, Ashford, Kent, TN25 6SR.

• Books donated by KoS readers are also being given to an orphanage in Freetown and to a Freetown-based charity called EducAid, which supports schools in Sierra Leone.

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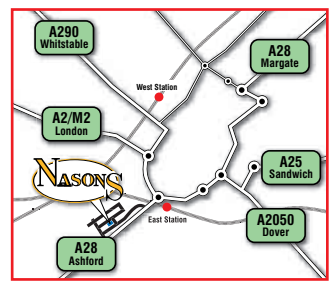

SPECIAL REPORT PM gives his support to KoS campaign and concert

'Sierra Leone's people need all the help we can give them'

LEGACY: PM Tony Blair is made an honorary Paramount Chief in the village of Mahera during last month's visit to Sierra Leone, in West Africa Picture: EMPICS

By Prime Minister Tony Blair

I WAS thrilled to hear of the close links being forged by Kent on Sunday and its readers with the people of Sierra Leone.

It's a tremendous initiative which demonstrates once again the generosity of the British public – and the vital role of local newspapers in our national life.

And it was a very imaginative idea to get this campaign off the ground by first targeting help at the school in the place which shares the name of this beautiful county.

There is no doubt, as I have seen for myself, that the courageous people of Sierra Leone need all the support we can give them as a country and as individuals.

Sierra Leone is still recovering from a horrific conflict fuelled by greed for its diamonds and other rich natural resources.

It was a civil war fought with the most appalling savagery which left tens of thousands murdered, maimed or raped and destroyed much of the country's infrastructure.

The fighting only ended when British troops helped support the democratically elected Government against rebels determined to bring it down so they could plunder the country and its people.

Our intervention – and that of African countries – has given the people of Sierra Leone the chance to build a better future.

It will, however, be a long haul. Sierra Leone remains one of the poorest countries on the planet.

But it is also a country with enormous potential, rich in natural and agricultural resources.

It has as well a brave and resilient people who, when given the chance to improve life, make the most of it.

I saw this for myself when I visited a school in Sierra Leone and saw the determination of children to get an education.

They were benefiting from the decision by their Government, backed by UK funds, to make schooling free.

There are, I'm afraid, still thousands of children missing out on education but school attendance has doubled since the end of the war.

Fantastic

And older children and adults who never got the chance because of the fighting are going back to learn as well.

That's why I think the fantastic generosity of Kent on Sunday readers in sending books and writing materials to the school in Kent will have such an impact.

I am also delighted to see KoS putting all its energy behind the special fund-raising concert in Canterbury Cathedral by the Milton Margai School for the Blind from Freetown at the end of next month.

It will be a beautiful setting for what I am sure will be a memorable and moving concert.

I am delighted to give my personal support to this paper's drive to help the people of Sierra Leone and congratulate its readers in responding with such generosity. It is a very worthwhile cause.

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Kelly opens gym

IT IS not often that Maidstone hosts double Olympic champions, but the Curves Gym was proud to welcome Dame Kelly Holmes last Saturday to open their new women-only fitness centre, ***writes Tom Howard.***

Residents turned out to see the sporting heroine cut the ribbon and try out some of the gym's equipment.

Miss Holmes said: "Having had sport as a large part of my life I am very passionate about what sport can bring to people.

"As you may know, I was in the Army and know how hard it is for women to be recognised when the issue of fitness comes up.

"This gym is giving them the opportunity and it is really great to be able to support this venture."

MBE for volunteer

AN AID worker has been awarded an MBE in the Queen's Birthday Honours List for voluntary services overseas.

David McMullan, 74, who lives in Westerham, has been working for Oxfam as an engineer for the past 18 years, since retiring in 1987.

He worked for Oxfam in a total of 11 countries, including Rwanda, Somalia, Columbia and Iraq, often in life-threatening situations.

Other recipients of honours included Professor David Melville, vice-chancellor of the University of Kent, who was knighted for services to higher and further education.

He is due to retire from the university on September 1.

Audrey Caroline Brown, from Orpington, deputy director of the schools analysis and research division, at the Department for Education and Skills, received a CBE.

William Ian Griffiths, of Chislehurst, formerly deputy assistant commissioner, Metropolitan Police Service, was awarded a CBE for services to the police.

Council media pick

KENT County Council has appointed a new media manager.

Marcus Chrysostomou, 37, who lives in Whitstable, used to work for the Government News Network, which is responsible for getting its message across in the regions.

He now heads up KCC's press office at Maidstone.

Mr Chrysostomou, who has previously lived in Dartford and Bexley, said: "I'm very passionate about Kent – I think it's a great place."

Deportation wait

HARTLEY Alleyne is still on tenterhooks over his future in the UK.

The former West Indies cricketer's deadline to leave the country has expired, but the Home Office has not tried to deport him.

Mr Alleyne, who has coached children at St Edmund's School in Canterbury for the last two years, told KoS on Friday: "I'm just waiting for something concrete to happen."

Between a Rock and a hard place

MP fears increase in racial tension if Home Office fills hotel with failed asylum seekers

By **JAMIE McGINNES**
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PLANS to turn a seafront hotel into a "prison" for immigrants waiting to be deported could escalate racial tensions, an MP has warned.

The Home Office wants to use the Nayland Rock Hotel in Royal Crescent, Margate, to house failed asylum seeker families.

It is currently used for newly-arrived immigrants seeking asylum and has 200 beds.

Migrant Helpline, which is responsible for the accommodation, said there would be no need to make the hotel more secure as it was confident immigrants would not abscond.

But Roger Gale, Tory MP for North Thanet, said he was worried failed asylum seekers could escape.

"If it's not secure, these people are either going to do a runner or possibly cause problems in the town," he said.

The plans had the potential to reignite racial tensions not seen for several years, said Mr Gale.

"Something like this, in the wrong hands, could inflame the town in a very big way."

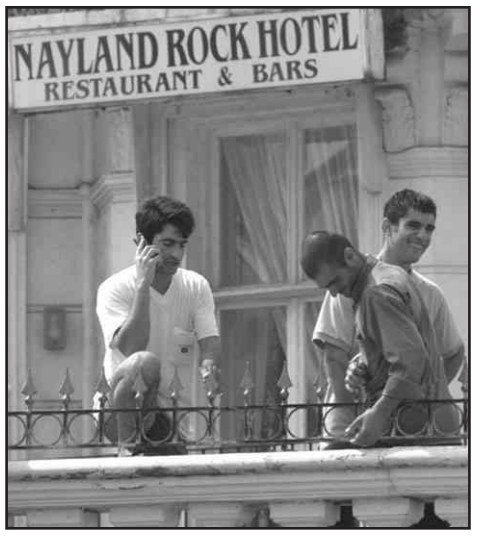
Outraged

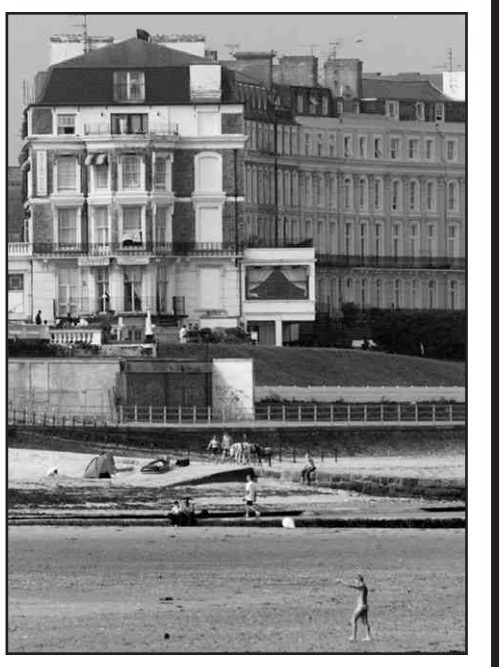
The MP claimed that because prisons were overcrowded, the Home Office was now looking for cheap alternatives. He said accommodation should be found closer to Gatwick or Heathrow airports, from where the immigrants are eventually deported.

Thanet District Council only found out about the plans on Thursday night after being told by Kent County Council.

Peter Gilroy, KCC chief executive, had been telephoned that day by a senior civil servant, who revealed the Home Office wanted to use the hotel for failed asylum-seeking families.

Cllr Sandy Ezekiel, Tory leader of TDC, said he was outraged by the proposal for the hotel, which he claimed could damage Margate's regeneration hopes.





CRUMBLING ROCK: The Nayland Rock, overlooking Margate Sands, was once a thriving seaside hotel. Now it is refuge to newly-arrived asylum seekers Pictures: KNP

"It's certainly not within TDC's (planning) policy to have a prison on Margate seafront."

Cllr Ezekiel said the council was in early talks with a national company about bringing a major development to Margate. He claimed that the plans could put the firm off.

A spokesman for KCC said the Home Office had given assurances that the scheme was not going ahead yet.

He added: "We will do anything we can to stop it from happening."

Nayland Rock has been used by Migrant Helpline to house asylum seekers who have just arrived in the UK since 2001.

Julie Larner, spokeswoman for the non-governmental organisation, denied the changeover would increase racial tensions or damage Margate's regeneration efforts.

"These people are going to be staying at the Nayland Rock temporarily," she said. "All services they need will be provided within the facility. There's no added negative impact on the town."

Miss Larner dismissed fears about the immigrants leaving the hotel before they were deported.

"There wouldn't be an incentive for them to abscond because they've got very clear instructions to leave," she said.

The Government wanted to house failed asylum-seeking families in the hotel because it was inappropriate to put them in jail, she said.

Putting failed asylum-seeking children into detention centres was "the last thing the Home Office wanted to do," added Miss Larner.

A spokeswoman for the Home Office's Border and Immigration Agency confirmed it has been in talks with Migrant Helpline about the future use of the Nayland Rock.

But she said that was because asylum numbers were falling and the hotel was no longer needed for its current purpose.

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Estate agents' joy at clinching top business award

FAST-growing estate agents Miles and Barr has been named Kent Company of the Year at an awards ceremony.

They were praised for the way they treated their employees and their local community involvement.

The accolade was announced on Thursday evening at Kent Show Ground, Maidstone, during an event sponsored by Kent County Council.

Miles and Barr Ltd, which also trades as Fosters Property Services, was set up eight years ago and employs more than 160 staff.

One of the contest's judges, Dick Pascoe from KCC, said: "It may seem that picking an estate agent as the Kent Business of the Year is an incongruity, but in this case Miles and Barr are no ordinary estate agents.

"From the outset they showed that they think outside the box, get heavily involved in their local community and have a strong dedication to their staff."

Stuart Barr, company director of Miles and Barr, said: "We are extremely proud of what we have achieved. We have an extraordinary business with extraordinary people."

John Elliot, managing director of Millwood Designer Homes, took gold when he was named Kent Business Person of the Year, sponsored by Invicta FM.

He founded the business in 1992 by selling his own home to build two others.

WE'RE BEST BARR NONE: (l-r) Stuart Barr, Lee Carter and Christian Miles

The company now has a £40 million turnover and is regarded among the country's top three per cent of housebuilders.

The evening was hosted by Kent broadcaster and writer Barbara Sturgeon who has worked nationally and locally for more than 20 years.

It began with a champagne drinks reception in the John Hendry Pavilion of Kent Show Ground where 500 guests were entertained by a jazz and swing band.

Guests enjoyed a four-course dinner, consisting of local produce such as Whitstable smoked salmon and Kentish strawberries.

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Writing: it's all in the stars

By **CHRIS MURPHY**
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GEMINIS are born authors, it seems. And that even includes Jordan, the former Page Three star.

The novel finding was revealed in a star sign check of some of the finest writers in history.

Book company Borders wanted to know which sign was the most prolific, and with the likes of Chaucer, Tolstoy and Rushdie, as well as Jordan, the twins came out on top.

If you or your offspring were born under the Gemini star sign between May 22 and June 22, Borders suggests that maybe it's time to start penning that first novel.

Spike

A study of the horoscopes reveals the world's literary greats and best-selling novelists are twice as likely to be born a Gemini than any other star sign.

The company studied the birth dates and horoscopes of more than 150 leading fictional writers. While the star-signs of authors were typically evenly distributed there was a disproportionate spike of 27 Geminis.

Jordan, real name Katie Price, has just released her second book, Crystal. Her son Harvey attends school in Sevenoaks.

Leos produced the significantly lowest number of famous authors with just seven.

However, Borders research revealed among the Leos – who are believed to be suited to careers working with children – were Britain's most famous children's authors – Harry Potter creator, JK Rowling, Enid Blyton and Beatrix Potter.

In equal second place with 14 authors was Aquarius with the likes of Kent's very own Charles Dickens and William Burroughs.

At third is Virgo with Stephen King, Agatha Christie, Roald Dahl and Martin Amis.

Ruth Atkins, fiction buyer at Borders, said: "Geminis are believed to be the natural talkers and communicators in the zodiac so maybe it was destiny that Jordan would end up in the same bracket as Chaucer and Tolstoy.

"One literary Gemini who wasn't included on the list is supermodel Naomi Campbell whose 1997 novel, Swan, is considered to be one of the worst books ever written.

"It shows that even if the cosmos is stacked in your favour you still need to have some talent as well."

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GEMINIS: Salman Rushdie with his wife Padma Lakshmi and glamour model turned author Jordan (above)

STAR SIGNS OF THE LITERARY GREATS

GEMINI (27)
- Geoffrey Chaucer, Leo Tolstoy, Salman Rushdie, Saul Bellow, Jodi Picoult, Thomas Hardy, Sir Arthur Conan Doyle, Margaret Drabble, Jose Luis Borges, Jordan

AQUARIUS (14)
- Charles Dickens, EM Forster, William Burroughs, Lewis Carroll, James Joyce, Helen Fielding, Iain Banks

VIRGO (14)
- Stephen King, Agatha Christie, Roald Dahl, Martin Amis, DH Lawrence, HG Wells

ARIES (13)
- Graham Greene, Jeffrey Archer, Nick Hornby, Hans Christian Andersen, Tom Clancey

CAPRICORN (13)
- Edgar Allan Poe, Thomas Harris, JRR Tolkien, Rudyard Kipling, Wilbur Smith

SCORPIO (13)
- Fyodor Dostoevsky, Zadie Smith, Evelyn Waugh, Dylan Thomas

LIBRA (12)
- Cervantes, Jackie Collins, PG Wodehouse, Philip Pullman

PISCES (11)
- John Grisham, Douglas Adams, Dr Seuss, Jilly Cooper

TAURUS (11)
- William Shakespeare, Barbara Taylor Bradford, Terry Pratchett, JM Barrie

SAGITTARIUS (11)
- Jane Austen, Mark Twain, Philip K Dick, CS Lewis

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- George Orwell, Marcel Proust, Barbara Cartland, Franz Kafka

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Racing legend's plans for university of motor sport

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ON TRACK: John Surtees' university dream

By **CHRIS MURPHY**

GREAT Britain needs a university of motor sports to help talented youngsters get into the elitist world of racing, according to racing legend John Surtees.

And he wants it to be based in Kent at the world-famous Buckmore Park karting track – which launched Formula 1 ace Lewis Hamilton.

Mr Surtees is seeking government funding worth £3 million to help extend the already demanding track and to develop the university building.

Mr Surtees, who won world championships on both two and four wheels, told Kent on Sunday: "This will be a world-class facility at Buckmore Park.

"It will not only train drivers, but also educate young people, of both sexes, in the world of motor racing industry."

He said the world of motor sport was seen as "elitist" because of the huge costs involved as young people pursue their racing dreams.

The new educational facility could open up the world to hundreds of youngsters who had previously been shut out because they do not have wealthy parents.

"The industry in this country is worth £4.5 billion," said Mr Surtees, "so this university will give young people a chance to create a career in motor sport. There is a whole host of opportunities apart from driving. There is design, nutrition and fitness, and business studies, as examples."

He said the phenomenal success of 22-year-old Hamilton had brought the issue back into focus for the Government.

"We are hoping they will come up with the funds to build this centre," said Mr Surtees, who has been speaking to different government agencies to raise the initial investment.

He then hopes private partnerships can fund a learning and training centre at Buckmore Park at Chatham.

"We have commercial interests already. We won't need government money after it is set up. It will be self-sustaining and will help thousands over many, many years.

"The initial cost really is not a lot of money for what will be achieved. This is a service for the community and it will not charge students fees. There will be additional workshops at locals schools, colleges and other training centres."

Mr Surtees, who is based in Edenbridge, said he hopes to raise the issue of funding with the Sports Minister Richard Caborn.

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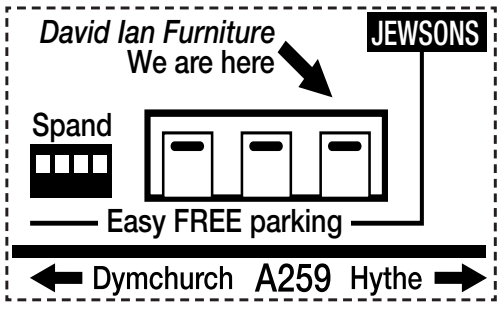

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Steelworkers close to pensions victory

Tory claims staff who lost their life savings could have compensation by autumn

By JAMIE McGINNES
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STEELWORKERS who lost their pensions when their Kent plant went bust could win compensation by this autumn, a senior Tory has claimed.

Philip Hammond, Conservative shadow pensions secretary, visited Kent this week to talk to men who lost their hard-earned savings when Allied Steel and Wire's mill in Sheerness folded in 2002.

Mr Hammond told Kent on Sunday that a vote in the House of Commons in the next month could bring a long-awaited victory for tens of thousands of people nationally who have lost pensions through no fault of their own.

Disgraceful

But he said MPs who previously voted against plans for a 'lifeboat fund' – including Sittingbourne and Sheppey's Derek Wyatt – would first have to be persuaded to back it.

Mr Hammond said the Kent Labour MP's decision to vote against the fund was "cynical and disgraceful."

He added: "He has campaigned on this issue. He has won elections on this issue, and when a solution was at hand he's let them down.

"My message to Derek Wyatt is find your backbone and stand up for these people."

The Tories and Lib Dems have proposed an amendment to the Pensions Bill, currently going through Parliament, to set up the lifeboat fund.

In April, MPs including Mr Wyatt, opposed the amendment and it was beaten by just 22 votes.

But peers in the House of Lords supported the amendment earlier this month, meaning it has to return to the Commons.

Mr Hammond said the vote will be much closer this time because Scottish and Welsh nationalist MPs, who missed the previous count because of their national elections, would support the fund.

If approved, the Treasury would provide a loan so payments could start immediately. In the long term, it would be funded by unclaimed assets in the financial sector.

The Tories said the scheme would allow money to flow quicker to those who have suffered most, and who have seen little or no benefit from the Government's "slow and bureaucratic" Financial Assistance Scheme.

If the lifeboat fund is backed in the Commons, Mr Hammond said lost pensions could be restored within months.

"This is going to come back to the Commons in probably a month's time and if the House votes for the amendment that the Lords have already carried, then the issue's resolved. It will be law this summer and these people can start getting their payments in the autumn."

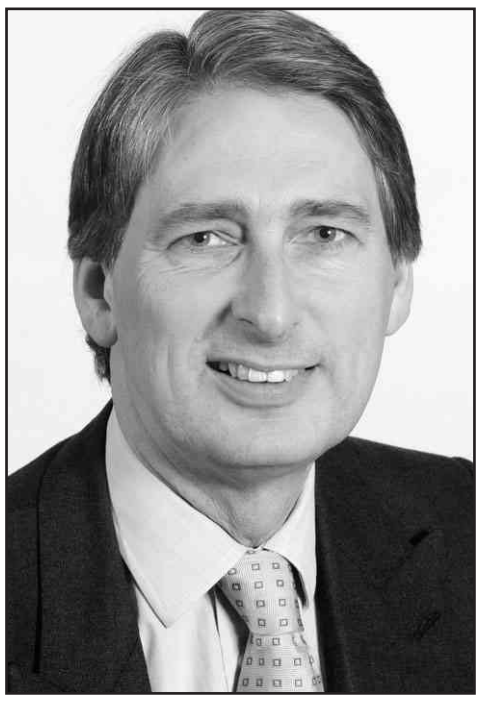
Nationally, it is estimated about 125,000 people have lost some or all of their pensions after their firms went bust.

Andrew Parr, 62, from Minster on the Isle of Sheppey, worked at ASW in Sheerness for 20 years before the company folded. He was expecting a pension of £15,500, but ended up with £7,000 and had to put his retirement plans on hold.

Puzzled

The Pensions Action Group spokesman said he was puzzled by Mr Wyatt's decision to vote against the lifeboat fund.

"We find it very difficult to work out what the reasons for his actions were, because he's been working with us for the past four of five years. Then suddenly, at the point where there was something that could solve it once and for all, he votes against it."



ATTACK: Philip Hammond says MP Derek Wyatt's decision to vote against pensions lifeboat fund was 'cynical and disgraceful'

Mr Wyatt hit back angrily at Mr Hammond's comments, accusing him of "replacing constructive and informed comments with mud-slinging and abuse".

He questioned the legitimacy of seizing unclaimed assets and said the lifeboat fund could ultimately end up creating a huge financial burden for the taxpayer.

Mr Wyatt said: "Having fought for five years to get compensation for my constituents in the face of Tory and Liberal Democrat claims that Government compensation was impossible, I do not need a lecture from this visitor on how to fight for my local people."

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'Financial abuse'

Charity slams county hall's proposed hike in home care costs for elderly and disabled

By JAMIE McGINNES
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THE COUNTY council's plans for increasing home care charges for pensioners and disabled people will leave some of them with just £6 a week for essentials such as clothing, a charity has claimed.

Caring All Together on Romney Marsh (Carm), which supports more than 200 people a week in Kent, said the charges would amount to the "systematic financial abuse" of one of the most vulnerable sections of society.

Charity trustees said they were "alarmed" to learn of Kent County Council's proposed charge hikes for home care services, which they claim will see people made to pay 85 per cent of their disposable income.

Worried

KCC has vehemently denied the charity's claims. Under the plans, KCC wants to increase charges by up to £45 a week, within three years. About 8,000 people receive domiciliary care around Kent.

Karen Edmunds, Carm's co-ordinator, said: "KCC's proposed charges will leave many older people worried about how they will pay for everyday things like a taxi to the doctor's surgery, or clothing.

"The services they are asked to pay for are not luxuries – they are there to assist with essential things like bathing and toileting."

The charity has produced a detailed response to the current consultation, setting out how the proposals will affect those with very modest means. Using KCC's own examples, the charity claimed that in some cases the elderly could be left with just £6 a week.

Mrs Edmunds accused KCC of a lack of transparency when assessing charges. She said it had not complied with Department of Health guidance that states charges should be "reasonable and fair".

She added: "Carm believes this amount to the systematic financial abuse of older people.

"Carm urges KCC to review the impact of the changes on individuals before proceeding."

But Kevin Lynes, KCC's cabinet member for adult social services, denied that any of those affected by the proposed increases would be left with just £6 a week.

He blamed the Government for "chronically under-funding" care for elderly and disabled people and "passing the buck" to social service departments.

He added: "What Carm is saying is wholly wrong and I find it extremely sad that such a respected organisation is putting out inaccurate information which will cause significant worry and distress to people.

"I invite organisations like Carm from across Kent to get in touch and join us in lobbying the Government for adequate funding."

Earlier this month, the Centre for Independent Living Kent support group accused the county council of increasing home care charges for disabled people because they were an "easy target".

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Coastal access is birthright

PLANS to improve coastal access could take away landowners' rights without compensation, it is feared.

Environment Secretary David Miliband launched a consultation on the proposals in Kent this week.

But the Country Land and Business Association is worried about the plans.

"We want more people to enjoy our coast but we fear that this consultation will end up being about taking rights without compensation and nothing more," said David Fursdon, the CLA's president.

"The Secretary of State has stated that, 'land, even private land, is a public good and we should assert our right to enjoy it', but the question is where does this begin and end?"

Mr Fursdon claimed that if the plans were enacted, they could set a worrying precedent for allowing the building of new roads or runways.

"This is a very dangerous precedent to set for all householders in England. It shifts the balance from the protection of the individual to the power of the State."

Mr Miliband announced plans to open up the whole of England's coastline to the public for the first time when he was in Dover on Tuesday.

At present, parts of the English coastline are out of bounds to walkers who find their routes blocked and are forced to make long detours inland.

Ministers want to free up access along the full length of the coast as well as headland, coves and beaches.

Mr Miliband said: "We are an island nation. The coast is our birthright and everyone should be able to enjoy it.

"I want families to have safe and secure access to walk, climb, rock scramble, paddle and play all along our coastline."

The consultation ends on September 11.

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Prince's sadness at artist's death

TRIBUTES have been paid to a leading artist who will be remembered for his "wonderfully jovial, inspirational character".

By **JAMIE McGINNES**
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John Ward, who lived at Bilting, near Ashford, was best known as a portrait painter and Prince Charles' artistic mentor.

The Prince of Wales was "very saddened" to learn of Mr Ward's death, said his spokeswoman.

Mr Ward, a father-of-six, died on June 14 – just four months before an exhibition of his work in Canterbury, planned for his 90th birthday.

He is credited with helping to provide some of the early inspiration for the Stour Music festival, the latest of which started on Friday.

Mark Deller, director of the festival, said Mr Ward first introduced his father, Alfred Deller, to All Saints church at Boughton Aluph in the late 1950s. The church became the inspiration for the festival, founded by Alfred Deller in 1963.

Mark Deller said he was "desperately sad" to hear of Mr Ward's death.

"He was a moving spirit in the whole creation of Stour Music," he said.

"For the first few years Stour Music was in fact a festival of music and painting in east Kent.

"John Ward used to organise his painting exhibition in the church there every year for the first three or four years."

He said he would remember Mr Ward best as, "a wonderfully jovial, inspirational character".

He added: "I never saw John miserable. He was always full of life and zest for life... and tremendously encouraging of everybody. He was a wonderful support to the young artists. He was unstinting in the time that he gave them and the encouragement he gave them.

"He was an inspirational figure, a great man and he'll be sadly missed, but one has very many happy memories of him. He was an absolute joy."

Mr Deller said that he was planning some way of remembering Mr Ward.

"There's no doubt that we at Stour Music will be doing something, either a concert or something in his memory at an appropriate time."

In 1939, Mr Ward joined the Royal Engineers and was involved in the D-Day landings.

He designed concrete pillboxes on the coastline between Herne Bay and Whitstable, which later became listed buildings.

The former member of the Royal Academy exhibited paintings and drawings around the world. An oil painting of Princess Anne is one of 15 examples of his work in the National Portrait Gallery.

The freeman of the city of Canterbury gave the Prince of Wales his first professional painting lessons. He sat in the choir at St Paul's Cathedral for Prince Charles' wedding to Lady Diana Spencer in 1981 to sketch the proceedings. His notes later formed a painting in the couple's collection.

A spokeswoman for Clarence House told Kent on Sunday that Prince Charles had sent a letter of condolence to Mr Ward's family.

She added: "He's obviously very saddened to hear of the news."

In a letter to KoS last year, Mr Ward expressed his concern that Ashford Art Society may not be able to exhibit in the town's library anymore. Kent County Council warned it could not guarantee the society space in future and suggested members use shopping centres or the train station instead.

Mr Ward illustrated his letter with humorous drawings of the art society being kicked out of Ashford Library and angry shoppers trying to make their way around paintings.

A funeral service for Mr Ward will be held at Challock Church on Wednesday, at 11.30am.

REMEMBERED: John Ward

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The cobweb that divided the world

In 1707, a navigational error by a Rear Admiral caused the deaths of 2,000 British sailors. The tragedy led to a race to solve the problem of longitude. By MICHAEL K BALDWIN

IN about 1650, a boy was born to poor parents in the Norfolk village of Cockley Cley. He was apprentice to a cobbler, but ran away to be a cabin boy at sea.

He did so well that in 1705 he was made Rear Admiral of England, a stupendous career by any standards. He was also the MP for Rochester, his home being at May Place, Crayford.

Three hundred years ago, on the night of October 22, 1707, returning from Gibralter on his flagship, Association, he led his fleet of 21 ships onto the western rocks off the Isles of Scilly, wrecking four vessels and killing about 2,000 men.

His body was washed up on the beach. Some say he was found alive, but that he was killed for the ring that he wore. His name, Sir Clowdisley Shovell, has been remembered ever since as the man responsible for one of the greatest disasters to befall the British navy.

The truth is that he was hopelessly lost. Navigation in those days was little more than inspired guesswork. You could tell how far north or south you were from observation of the sky, but your east/west position could only be determined using estimates of direction and speed since your last-known position. He got it wrong.

Stars

King Charles II was aware of the problem of navigation at sea and he had issued a warrant in 1675 to build a new observatory in Greenwich Park, paid for largely by sales of spoiled gunpowder.

Its purpose was to map the sky and plot the path of the moon through it, all in the name of helping ships' navigators.

The moon acts like the hand of a clock as it moves slowly, in the course of 27.32166 days, through the background of stars. Navigators had tables showing the position of stars and the moon in the sky at their home base at any time.

They could measure the positions as they appeared from the ship. All they needed was to know the time at their home base and they could work out their east/west position.

It was hoped they would be able to use the 'Moon Clock', but it wasn't accurate enough and poor Sir Clowdisley and his crew paid the price. The truth is that it could never have been accurate enough.

The Earth spins at a rate roughly equivalent to the speed of a jet plane. If they were a minute out in time, then their east/west position would be out by the distance that a jet could fly in a minute. It was hopeless.

Spurred by Sir Clowdisley's disaster, in 1714 the Government offered a prize of £20,000 to anybody who could come up with a practical solution to the longitude problem.

That is equivalent to about £2million today. After nearly 60 years, the prize was won by a Yorkshire carpenter/turned clockmaker, John Harrison, who perfected the marine chronometer, an accurate clock which would keep time for the months or years of a long sea journey.

When he first started to make clocks, which were constructed largely of wood, he was able to check them by timing the disappearance of stars behind buildings, knowing that stars moved by 3.9 minutes a day.

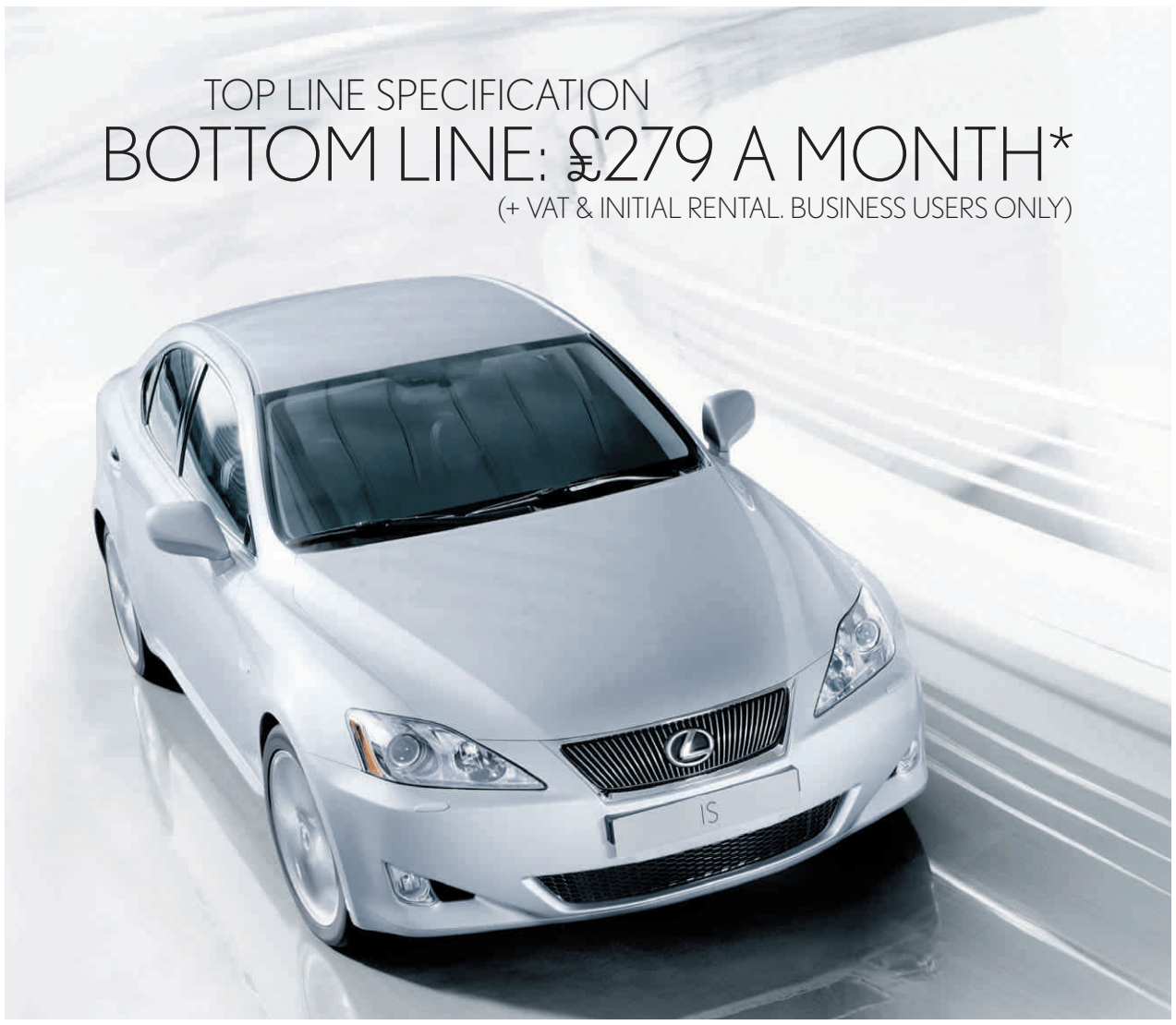
So, was the navigation problem solved? Well, not quite. What was needed was a definition of the exact position of zero longitude, from which the sky could be mapped.

Those of you who have stood astride the metal meridian line at the Royal Greenwich Observatory will have had one leg in the western and one in the eastern hemisphere – for it was at Greenwich that zero longitude was defined. But you can't make measurements of the sky from a metal line in the ground.

LOST AT SEA: Rear Admiral Sir Clowdisley Shovell and his fleet ran onto the western rocks off the Scilly Isles in 1707

So what and where is the actual zero longitude line?

The answer is a strange one. The observation of the sky for mapping and timekeeping purposes is carried out using a special telescope called a transit circle. It swings exactly north/south and observers time stars as they pass thin lines in the telescope's field of view.



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Ladies get on their marks

ROAD RUNNERS: The glamorous ladies team from KOS Media

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It is estimayed nearly £115,000 will be raised by women who complete the 5km course, at the Julie Rose Stadium – one of 280 Race For Life venues nationwide.

And KOS Media – which publishes Kent on Sunday and the Saturday Observer – has a team of 10 women taking part.

Emma Wood, at the stadium, said: "The Julie Rose Stadium is the ideal venue to host such a large event and we are very much looking forward to it.

By **GARY WRIGHT**

"It should be a very special day and we are thrilled to be part of such a massive nationwide charity campaign which raises tens of millions of pounds every year."

Stagecoach will provide free shuttle buses between Ashford Station and the stadium for participants and spectators on the morning of the event.

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Natasha Etienne, from Cancer Research UK, said: "We are really excited to be holding the very first Race for Life at Ashford.

"I'd really urge every woman to take part as it's such an inspiring and important event. The money raised really does make an invaluable contribution to beating cancer."

Since Race for Life began back in 1994, more than 2.7 million women across the UK have taken part, raising more than £140 million to fund the charity's pioneering work to help beat cancer. Every pound raised in sponsorship goes directly to the scientists, doctors and nurses who work ambitiously to find new treatments.

The course starts at the Julie Rose Stadium, proceeds along Willesborough Road and Kennington Road and turns into Blackwall Road before returning to the stadium.

Buses leave the staion every 20 minutes between 9-10.40am and will return to the station from midday until 1.40pm.

For more details see www.raceforlife.org or call the hotline on 08705 134 314.

Ali's Race (and Party) for Life

RADIO presenter and Review magazine gossip columnist Ali Wheeler is set to take part in the cancer charity Race for Life and is organising a party to raise funds for the cause in memory of a friend who died recently.

The Invicta breakfast DJ has teamed up with close friend Janis Osborn – a media pundit – to take part in the 5km race in Birchington.

Five days afterwards the duo are staging a Party for Life in Faversham.

Ali (right) with Dorothy

Ali said: "We are running and partying to save lives for Cancer Research UK, in memory of Dorothy McRitchie. Janis's mother Dorothy came to stay in Faversham with Janis with suspected angina in February this year – two weeks later she was diagnosed with terminal liver cancer and died six weeks later.

"We came up with the idea of having a party as well as doing the race as a celebration of Dorothy's incredible life."

The Party For Life takes place on July 6, starting at 7.30pm at the Acqua nightclub in Faversham.

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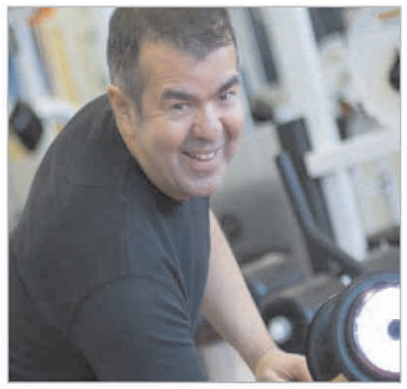

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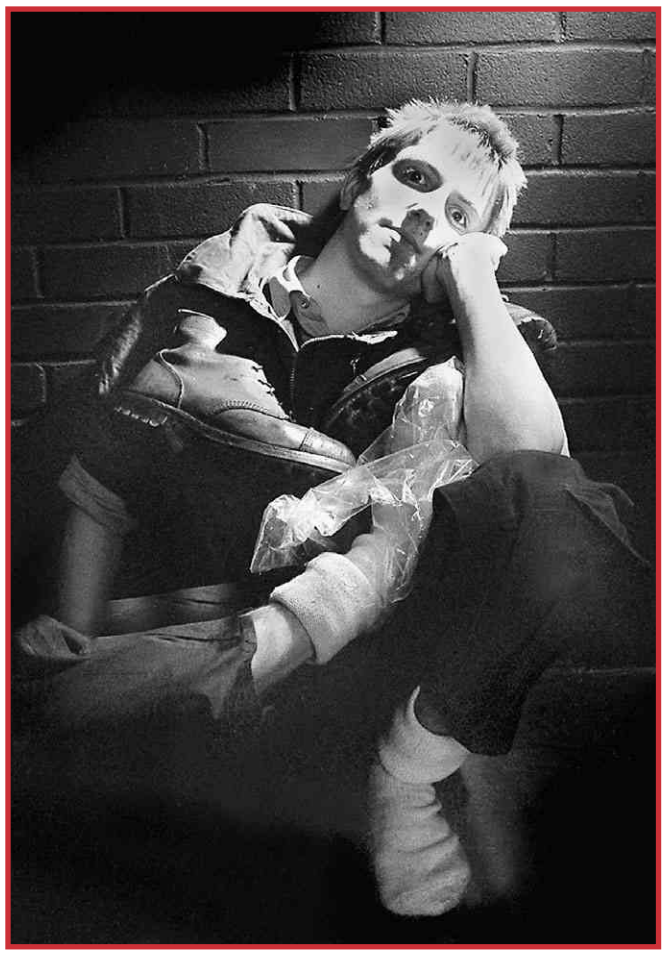

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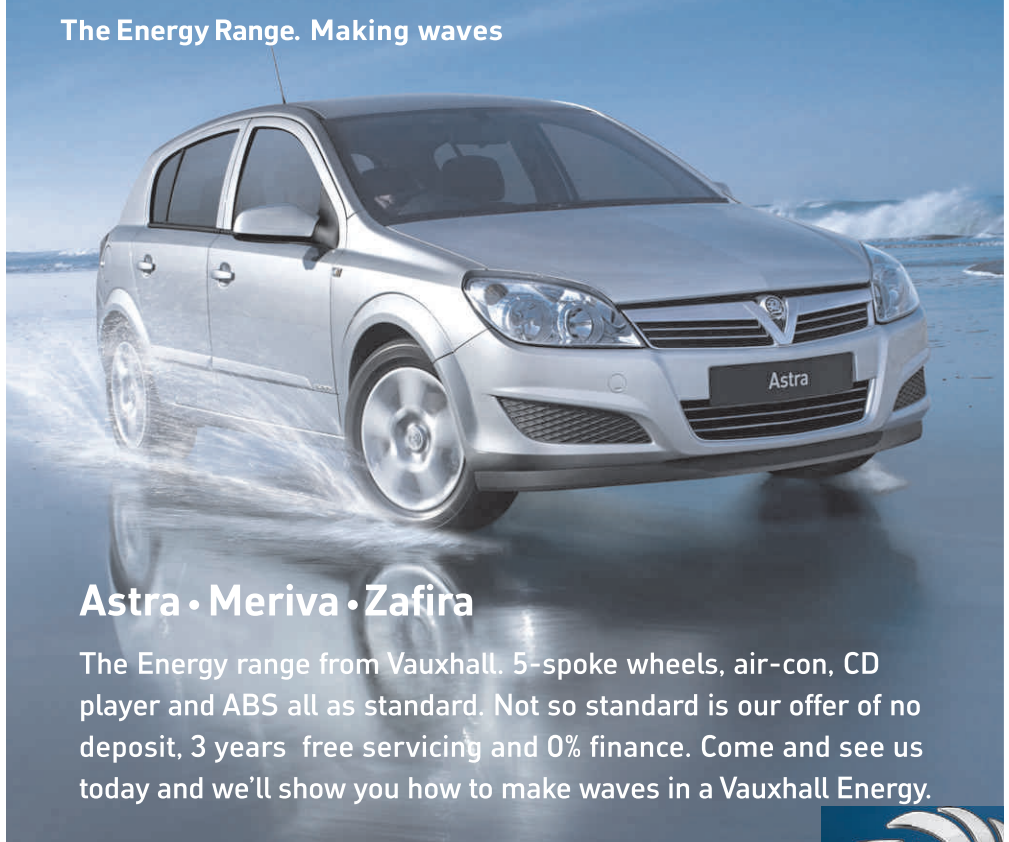

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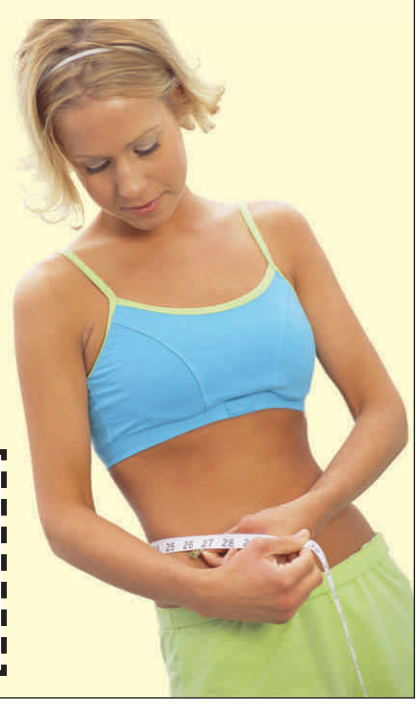

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a rebel artist

Words by **JAMIE McGINNES**
Pictures by **HUW POWELL**

BILLY Childish says he has very little time for artists who value money over their calling. The Chatham-based poet, writer, artist and musician believes there is too much focus on "commerce" over art.

But the 47-year-old does not save his distaste just for pretentious artists.

"It really goes for professionals in all areas," he said. "Anybody who over-identifies with what they do is a pain in the backside, whether they're a footballer or an artist."

He said artists were among the worst for having inflated egos because they received lots of "stroking" – i.e. flattery.

"The other problem with the art world is it's becoming increasingly a world of commerce, rather than a world of art. The art scene is purely commercial. It's very little about spiritual ideas or visions of how we could become or what we could be – it's about making money."

He added: "The reason I became an artist and was interested in these things was because I didn't want a job, whereas they see it as a career option. If you point that out they get a bit upset."

Childish, who famously counts Margate artists Tracey Emin as a former girlfriend, was previously offered a chance to appear on Celebrity Big Brother, but turned it down.

"I would suggest that Big Brother is diabolical and I would suggest that the lottery is diabolical and all the things we have in society that encourage people to be their worst (are) a work of people who worship money and are diabolical."

Childish, who was born William Charlie Hamper, was filmed in Chatham this week reading his poetry for an online video 'jukebox'.

It followed a recording earlier this month at Ranscombe Studios in Rochester of more than 60 of his poems for the iPoems service, on the website www.57productions.com.

Childish said he enjoyed the experience, but would not be listening to the readings.

"It's like looking at photographs of yourself – it can be a bit cringe-inducing. Most people's experience of hearing their own voice recorded – they find it unpleasant."

Most of the poems were from Childish's The Man with the Gallows Eyes.

His work explores the themes of his relationships and some of the difficult experiences he endured during his childhood in Medway.

Paul Beasley, producer for 57 Productions, said the poetry reading session had gone well.

"I've listened to the CD that we've got from the recording session and it's absolutely immaculate," he said. "Billy was in great form."

The video footage filmed this week, which includes Childish reciting his well-known poem Chatham Town Welcomes Desperate Men, would provide a "wonderful portrait" of the town, he added.

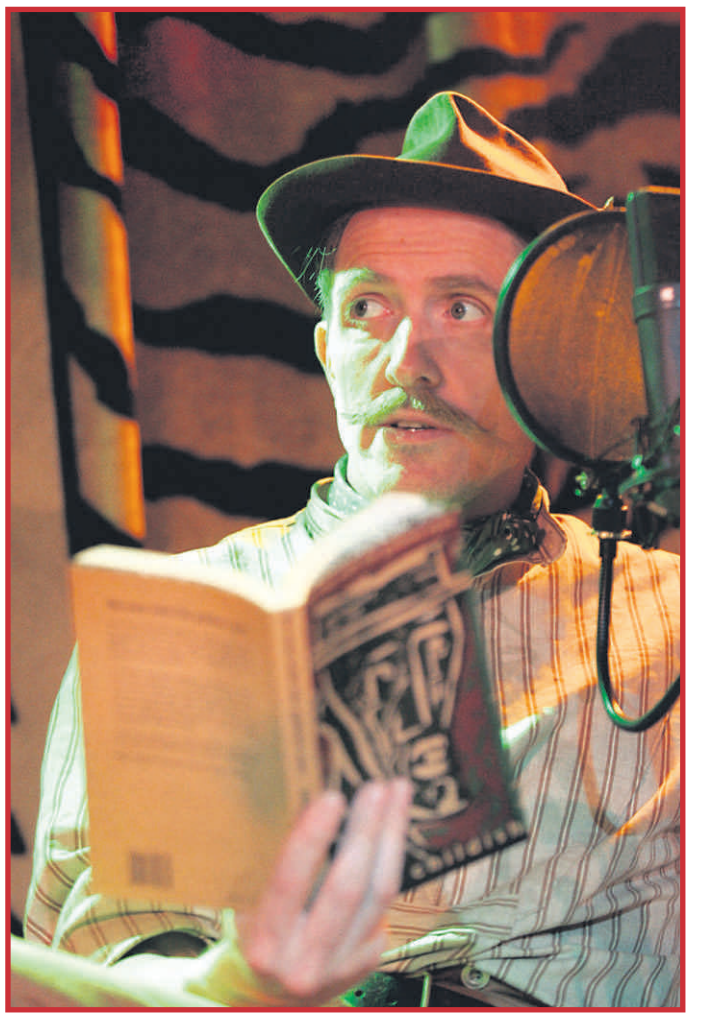
The photographer Huw Powell, who went to Medway College of Art and Design with Childish in the 1970s, photographed the poet during the Ranscombe Studios readings. Thirty years ago, he took black and white pictures of Childish for the cover of a poetry magazine.

THESE days, Childish juggles his poetry with painting, writing and music. He has been on tour in America with a previous band, Thee Headcoats, and has had some famous musician fans, including Kurt Cobain from Nirvana, Beck and The White Stripes.

His latest band, The Musicians of the British Empire, is due to play at the Lounge on the Farm festival at Merton Farm, Canterbury, on Saturday, July 14.

He is doing three poetry readings and playing blues music in America in August.

Childish's poetry readings and videos will be released on www.57productions.com in October. A CD will be available for £9.99, plus 50p p&p.



PERFORMANCE: Childish at Rochester's Ranscombe Studios

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School choice may take place after 11-plus exam

KENT County Council education chiefs are considering changing the timetable of the 11-plus exam and school preference.

But they warn nothing will happen until at least 2009.

In previous years, families have to make a decision on which school to choose before their children sit the exam.

If parents were confident their child would pass, they would put a grammar school first and a normal school second in case of a fail.

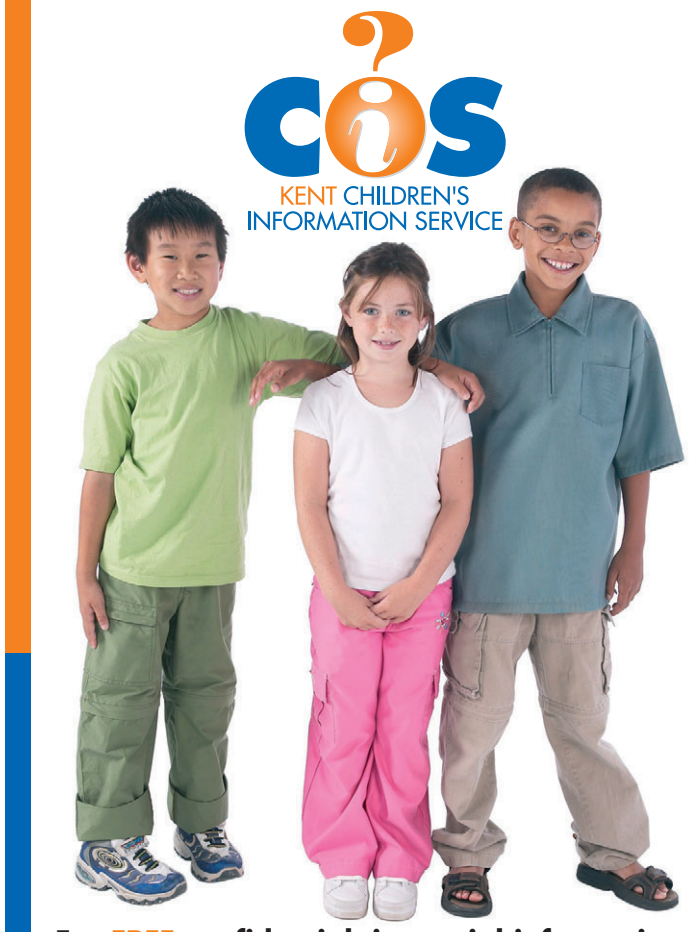
But in the event of a failed exam, the second choice schools tended to shun the child because they were not their first option.

Now KCC has admitted that system is unfair.

Scott Bagshaw, head of admissions at KCC, said: "We are currently reviewing the admissions process, as we do each year and are looking into the possibility of testing before preference in Kent schools.

"At this time there has been no consultation with the admission authorities in and around Kent [but] it is our intention to do this in due course.

"If there was support from these authorities we would then need to carry out a formal consultation to determine if this is viable."



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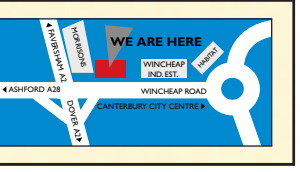

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DESIGNER: Chris Swift, who was left paralysed after catching a rare disease, in his new Boma off-road vehicle

By **LUCY BARTON**
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DURING his first year at agricultural college, Chris Swift went out for a family meal at his local pub. Days later he developed food poisoning, and within a week the 19-year-old student was in hospital, paralysed and breathing via a ventilator.

Mr Swift had suffered from the rare autoimmune disease Guillian-Barre Syndrome, which is thought to be caused by viral and bacterial infections. It took three years of hospitalisation and rehabilitation before he could return to college and finish his degree in agricultural engineering.

He said: "Although I wanted to carry on with the course, I quickly realised that my days of driving tractors and machinery were over."

Mr Swift, 32, grew up in Minster, Thanet, where he enjoyed an active and adventurous lifestyle before his illness. After falling ill, he quickly came to realise that there was limited equipment available for wheelchair-bound individuals who wished to take part in activities such as trekking and mountain biking.

Armed with a Masters in agriculture and business, he set about designing a vehicle specifically for easy access to difficult terrain. In 2004 the off-road wheelchair prototype, named Boma, after his first ever mountain bike, was produced. It was the first of its kind.

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Equipped with two 36V motors, the Boma is capable of reaching eight miles an hour, ascend stairs and navigate sandy beaches. A feat which has allowed its designer to follow his friends on activities which, pre-Boma, proved either impractical or physically uncomfortable. "I was able to go over the dunes, ride through the surf and shout abuse at them from the water's edge. Before, I would have been in the café waiting or being manhandled over soft sand."

Mr Swift heads the company Molten Rock, which aims to provide the disabled community with products that allow them to enjoy leisure time to the maximum. "When people think of disabled products they think of shower chairs or commodes. Leisure is an extremely important part of everyday life, and Boma will allow people to enjoy more activities as well as gain more independence."

Retailing at £5,995, Boma doesn't come cheaply, but as Mr Swift points out: "The business is still in an early stage, we aren't out to pillage the disabled community but until the orders become bigger, the price will remain this high."

Molten Rock currently has five models in production, three of which have been commissioned and tailored to the individual buyers' specifications.

• ***The Boma will be showcased at the 2007 Beyond Boundaries Live exhibition at Sandown Park in Esher on June 29 and 30.***

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Calls for refugee job help

REFUGEES need "tailored" routes into employment that recognise their previous learning, skills, experience and qualifications.

That is the call from Progress GB, an organisation which aims to get migrants into work.

Refugees should also have the opportunity to take occupationally-specific English for Speakers of Other Languages (ESOL) courses, said Progress GB's Jane Watts.

"Refugees often need extra support in finding work appropriate to their previous experience and qualifications," she said.

"That support needs to take into account all their needs and should be intensive, timely, and provided over months rather than weeks."

School's success texting parents

AN automatic text system to notify parents if their children are playing truant from school has been hailed a major triumph.

St Michael's School, an independent school in Otford, uses Call Parents, an automatic parent notification system from Truancy Call Ltd.

The service enables staff at the school to send messages on school closures, upcoming events and school trips to parents via text message. The system can also send messages via email and automated phone calls.

St Michael's School, a co-educational preparatory school with more than 400 pupils, installed Call Parents to improve and regulate communication between the parents and the school. Since its inception, the service has successfully increased the involvement of parents in school activities.

Other messages sent to parents range from the date of parents' evenings, cancellation of events and emergency notifications.

The system ensures these important messages are sent directly to parents, rather than being sent via the pupils – which may result in the message not being delivered.

Chris Young, bursar at St Michael's School, said: "Installing Call Parents has allowed us to send quick text messages to parents at the click of a mouse."

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COMMENT

Rock and rolling

IT is astonishing that the leader of the local council and the area's MP should only discover the Home Office's intentions for Nayland Rock Hotel in Margate via a tip-off from the county council.

They should have been informed what the Government planned to do – by the Government – and much, much sooner.

Cllr Sandy Ezekiel, the leader of Thanet District Council, and Roger Gale, Tory MP for North Thanet, only found out about the proposals on Thursday night.

The Home Office originally intended to announce its plans in the next five days, but it will not come as a surprise if they now change their mind in the face of the huge hostility they will now face.

Thanet is already the dumping ground for vulnerable children from local authorities around the South East, which place children here to save money. Now the Government appears to be following suit, with its plans for failed asylum seekers.

The decision as to whether the use of the hotel should be used for immigrants waiting to be deported must be given to local, democratically-elected representatives. The Government must not be allowed to bulldoze this through without any consultation.

Cream of crop

KENT'S reputation as the Garden of England conjures up images of a beautiful countryside filled with hops, oast houses and stunning landscapes.

However, it is also home to innovative, high-achieving and dynamic enterprises.

Thursday night's business awards not only recognised the cream of the crop in the county, but also some of the best firms in the UK as a whole. We are proud of you all.

OPINION: Important learning curves

John Surtees' motor sports university plan is on right track says CHRIS MURPHY

SO Medway could get yet another university. To some people, their first reaction will be "so what?"

But this one will be different; this could become a world first. This will be a university for motor sports.

As you will see in another part of this paper, race ace John Surtees is talking to anyone who will listen in an effort to raise just £3 million to build the university at the famous Buckmore Park kart track, near Chatham.

Anyone lucky enough to make it as a professional racing driver will need karting skills and a mountain of cash once they move into higher classes. Lewis Hamilton got his big break at Buckmore, so did Johnny Herbert.

But how many more are being missed?

It will become a font of all knowledge

Founder and managing director of Buckmore Park, Bill Sisley, laments on the missed talent simply because a youngster's family doesn't have a gold mine at the bottom of their garden.

But this motorsport training and technology centre, or MTTC as it is known, will change all that. It will not only train drivers, but also become a font of knowledge in every aspect of the sport: from trainers to designers, from mechanics to nutritionists.

BACK TO THE FUTURE: A young Lewis Hamilton at Buckmore Park

A Formula 1 team is now a global corporation stuffed full of people with individual skills – and that skill pool is in danger of drying up.

John Surtees has the charisma to make this work. He knows there is a demand for his graduates – and not only from the UK.

There are racing teams around the world, and they all need staff. Why not train them at Buckmore Park? They already have a demanding track good enough to attract Princess Diana's lads and they can use Brands Hatch just up the road.

Medway is already an area with a wealth of diverse education suppliers, which can be partnered with this new facility.

Buckmore veteran Lewis Hamilton has single-handedly put racing on the news pages once more and this time not simply for merely being British. He is a winner, and we need more of them.

If the Government lets this opportunity slide off the road, it will simply prove its mind is in 'park' mode.

Mr Surtees has proved once in his lifetime that he can achieve the impossible by winning world championships on both two and four wheels. He has to prove himself once more and keep the circuit breakers away from this project. Partners need to be chosen carefully.

Partners need to be chosen, but carefully

The Lottery Fund surely has a few million sitting around doing nothing. This amount really is a drop-in-the-ocean, yet it could make so much difference to so many youngsters.

The MTTC will be unique – surely this is the time we need to be brave and provide youngsters with the skills to take on the world. Formula 1, Touring Cars, single seaters, rally, drag racing, all need fresh talent.

America is awash with dozens more racing classes – the possibilities are nigh on infinite.

Let's get this show on the road and give it a green flag. The MTTC needs to be built and it deserves to succeed.

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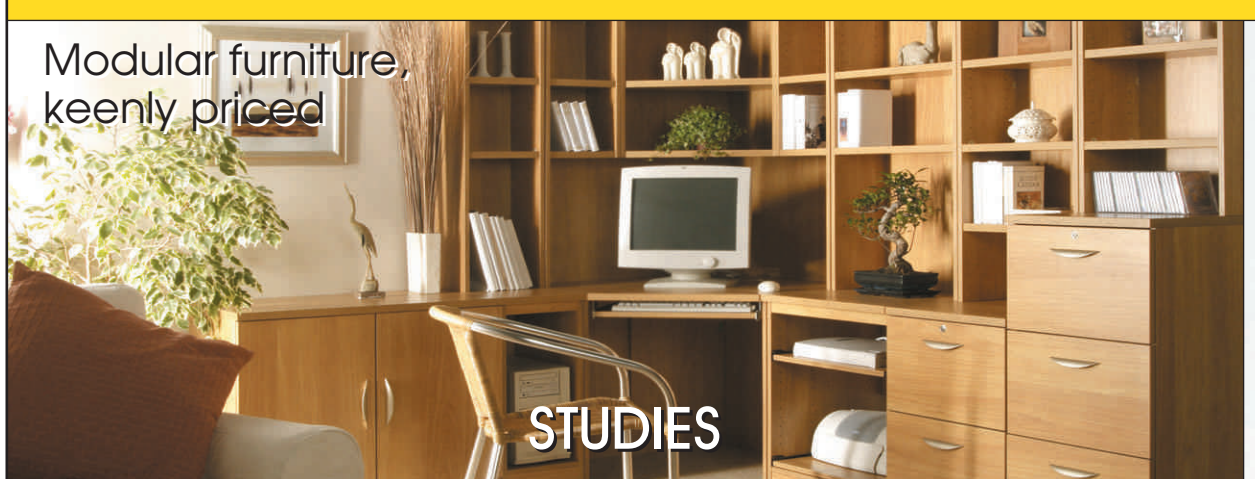

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KCC's travel plus

I was astonished to read in Kent on Sunday that on Rebecca Casson's recent jolly to Virginia she travelled BA's World Traveller Plus, which is a very comfortable way to avoid the hoi polloi in the back of the plane who have the misfortune to be paying for their own tickets.

If Ms Casson, the executive director of the Jamestown 2007 British Committee, wants to travel on the long-suffering taxpayer's tab on these trips, why doesn't she go economy, which is about half the price?

As a self-employed person, I have had to travel quite often to the US on business, with several meetings and lectures to fit in a short time, but as I was paying for my own ticket, I went BA or Virgin economy.

Our council taxes are high enough without having to pay for Kent County Council officers to fly in some luxury on these jollies. I see that KCC officers are due for another freebie later this month – in the US.

Are they all going World Traveller Plus/Premium Economy again?

Tony Groom
Hythe

Romantic poets would have fought ban

AS a smoker, I would like to make a number of important points raised by the forthcoming ban on smoking in public places.

Prohibiting smoking where it could be dangerous and harmful to others, such as transport network, shops and offices, is a good idea. However, I feel it should be permitted in designated areas of pubs.

I believe the smoking of tobacco originated from Native American Indians. Anti-smoking could, therefore, be considered racist in its disregard for an element of an ethnic minority. More importantly, why have the smokers just accepted the total ban without a fight? Whereas foxhunters went out on their horses in defiance of the outlawing of their sport, smokers have seemed to have given up. I hope to make up for this in my poem, entitled Yes Smoking, which is written from an imaginary future and which tries to capture the feel of revolution in Shelley's "The Mask of Anarchy". Many of the Romantic poets, composers and painters smoked, and my poem is appropriately rather "Early Romantic" in its spirit of the people rising against dictators. Coleridge, Shelley, and Byron, especially, would have had something to say about the new ban.

1. From underground – fury smokers surge
Onwards to scorch oppression and to purge
The policed state in 2043,
Now after 20 years of secrecy
The rebels rise and pour in public sight
Along the streets with cigarettes alight.
2. A march succeeding from the cover plan
To overthrow the global smoking ban
Imposed outright in 2023
From when tobacco was grown illegally,
Armies are overwhelmed by smoking crowds
That flow, and rivers burst with smoky clouds
3. With bold "YES SMOKING" signs on placards thrust
On high – the smokers from the ruling crust –
Like lava – setting in society
With granite strength and lasting victory,
And everywhere – non-smokers bow before
Respected smokers who have set the law.

Robert Duncan Martin
Canterbury

Report this…

What have council taxpayers done to deserve another fanciful scheme from Kent County Council? It is about to fund a new health body at a huge cost.

Your report last week revealed that this is the brainchild of Cllr Graham Gibbens, one of the council's cabinet members.

He feels there should be more interference in our lives on the issues of smoking and obesity and drugs.

So, to relay the message to us, he is going to appoint a chief executive for this new health body on a telephone number salary. He or she will need a secretariat, all office-accommodated according to spanking new health and safety rules.

Then it is planned for this new health body to issue a report, telling us that we are drinking and smoking too much.

What it will not tell us is that we are paying too much council tax.

Stanford John
Maidstone

Proven skill

I have been shocked and appalled by the Home Office decision to deport Hartley Alleyne – a man who is clearly superb at his job despite having no official qualifications.

I spent 35 years teaching and my only qualification was a degree in History and a Post Graduate Certificate in Education. Yet I taught at various times, rugby, cricket, hockey, football and lacrosse together with Bridge and produced plays.

I had no qualifications for any of these, and was probably very bad in my early years but I learnt from experience.

I think it is a disgrace that someone who is doing a job which few else could do, is being persecuted because he does not have a scrap of paper to 'prove' his ability.

Graham Wood
Canterbury

Writer's block

What a joke. I refer to Salman Rushdie receiving a Knighthood.

The man has cost the British public literally thousands of pounds. Having to have 24-hour protection over the last years. Just for writing a stupid book. Words fail me.

R Franklin
Welling

Building respect

As a locally elected representative who was born in Margate, has lived here all his life, and is celebrating his 50th year in the town he loves, all I ask of incoming developers is that they treat my area with the respect it so obviously deserves.

At the Winter Gardens last week, the architect David Chipperfield gave local people a presentation that was a wonderful example of how that should be done and I thank him sincerely, from the bottom of my heart, for his efforts.

There are undoubtedly issues that remain and the wasted years and millions of pounds are absolutely unforgivable but I have to say that on Monday evening I saw ideas that were both sympathetic to my area and realistically achievable.

For the first time in five years I can say that I witnessed what appeared to be an honest and frank explanation of both the challenges the project provides and, at long last, some positive solutions.

Cllr Clive Hart
Margate

Human rights

It is good to see Kent on Sunday engaging in debate over the difficult issue of asylum seekers.

I fully appreciate concerns that a new asylum seeker centre in Calais will not help the UK's problems with illegal immigration. Richard Ashworth MEP is right when he expresses concerns about the likelihood of such a centre being targeted by people traffickers, something that is detrimental to both the asylum seekers themselves and also the UK.

However, we must not lose sight of the humanitarian issues behind such proposals. That the centre is planned in response to the fact there are currently up to 1,000 asylum seekers sleeping rough in and around Calais at any one time is evidence of the wider problems.

It shows there are still so many individuals desperate enough to make dangerous journeys to seek asylum.

It is reported that the new facility will only provide food, showers and information. Aren't those things basic human rights?

K Esland
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BIRTHS

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Jim and Sarah of Whitstable are very proud to announce the arrival of their son Thomas Ernest on 05/06/07 at 01:55 weighing 8lbs ½oz at QEQM.

AUSTIN
Richard Harvey and Suzanna Austin celebrate the birth of their son Bradley Lee Austin on the 7th June 2007 in Dover. He weighed 8lbs 7ozs and was born at 4.43am.

BEAL
Lee and Kirstie of West Malling are pleased to announce the birth of their beautiful daughter Lillie-May Beal born on 7th June 2007, weighing 5lb 15oz.

BENSON
Amelia Jane born on 29th May 2007, weighing 9lb 8oz. Daughter to William and Suzanne Benson.

BISHOP
Nick and Loriane of Willesborough Ashford are proud to announce the birth of their son, Conner Nicholas Bishop. Conner was born on 5th June 2007 and weighed 6lb 1oz.

BÖHME-FOX
Victoria Jasmine born on 9th June 2007 weighing 7lbs 5oz. Daughter to Peter and Anja of Faversham.

BOND
David and Emma Bond of Maidstone celebrate the birth of their son, Jack Kenneth Bond, on 3rd June 2007, weighing 6lbs.

BRADBURY
Kaylah Natasha born on the 6th June 2007 at 7pm, weighing 6lbs 15oz. Daughter to Colin and Michelle of Dover.

CHARLES
Jason and Emma are thrilled to announce the arrival of their gorgeous son Harrison Michael, a brother for Mia Kathleen Jennifer. Harrison was born on the 9th June 2007 at Darent Valley Hospital.

CUMMING
Samantha Hogben and Michael Cumming of Faversham would like to announce the arrival of their "little miracle" - Logan Matthew Oliver Cumming. Logan was born on 7th June 2007 and weighed 9lb 4oz.

DAMMS
Carly and Darren celebrate the birth of their son Justin Reece Damms on 4th June 2007.

DEAN
James Michael born on 6th June 2007, weighing 7lbs 8oz. Son to John and Stephanie of West Kingsdown.

DOWER
Lily born 16th June 2007 weighing 7lb 11ozs. Daughter of Katie and Michael of Ramsgate.

DOWNTON
Peter and Rebecca are delighted to announce the arrival of their lovely daughter Emma Jane. She was born at 9.58 am on the 15th May 2007 at Darent Valley Hospital. Emma weighed 6lb 6oz.

FAIRWEATHER
Hayley and John Fairweather of Gravesend celebrate the birth of their daughter Abbie Rose Fairweather on 28th May 2007.

GIBB
James and Candice celebrate the birth of their son Jaiden James David on 6th June 2007, weighing 8lbs 9oz.

GREENHILL
Lynne of Bethersden is vey proud to announce the birth of her son, Harvey Jack Greenhill. Harvey was born on 10th June 2007 and weighed 5lb 13oz. Brother to James.

HARTMANN
Sam and Benn and brother Finley of Gravesend celebrate the birth of their beautiful daughter and sister Georgia June on Thirteenth of June 2007.

HICKMAN
Sophie Lowrie born on 14th June 2007 weighing 8lbs 14oz. Daughter to Paul and Emma, sister to Thomas of Ashford.

HILL
Clark John born on 11th June 2007, weighing 6lbs 9ozs. Son to Mark and Stacey in Margate. A brother for Jaydyn.

HOLROYD
Olivia Marjorie Anna born on 6th June 2007, weighing 8lb 6oz. Daughter to Chris and Janet Holroyd in Maidstone.

INTRIERI
Ruby Francesca Maria born on 6th June 2007, weighing 6lb 13oz. Daughter to Antonio Intrieri and Lisa Fairbrother in Ashford, Kent.

JARRETT
Robert and Karen of Northfleet celebrate the birth of their son Joshua Ryan Jarrett on 4th June 2007.

JARVIS
Skye Ann born on 31st May 2007,weighing 6lbs 3oz. Daughter to Steven and Christy and sister to Haydn and Kieron.

KIDD
Kristin Fiona, born on 29th May 2007 weighing 8lb 3oz. Daughter to Bruce and Catherine Kidd in Ashford. You are the miracle who we will love and treasure forever.

LAURENCE
Liam James born on 10th June 2007, weighing 6lbs 7oz. Son to Matthew Bell and Emma Laurence.

LEE-ALLISTON
Timothy born on 3rd June 2007, weighing 8lbs 1oz. Son to Ross and Joanne and brother to Poppy.

LEWIS
Ella-Grace born on 3rd June 2007 weighing 7lbs 1oz. Daughter to Gary and Charlene of Canterbury.

LISTER
On 2 June 2007 at QEQM Hospital, to Samantha and Ian, a gorgeous baby boy, Max, brother to George and Harry.

MACE
Aimee Olivia Dorothy Emily born on 14th June 2007 at the William Harvey Hospital Ashford, weighing 9lbs 9oz. Daughter to Adrian and Joanne, sister to Hayden.

NICHOLSON
Annelyse Michelle born on 12th June2007, weighing 6lbs 10oz. Daughter to Lee and Sarah in Ramsgate.

ODDY
Saskia Constance born on 2nd June 2007 weighing 10lb 2oz. Daughter to Emma and Paul Oddy in Wouldham.

OWEN
Dominic Alex was born on the 10th June 2007 to his proud parents Simon and Charlotte. Dominic was born at Darent Valley Hospital weighing 6lb 1oz. A delight for all our family.

PETERS
Michael and Obianuju are delighted to announce the arrival of their beautiful daughter Chizaram Ezinne Chikata. Baby was born on the 7th June 2007 and weighed 3.5 kg.

POWELL
On 15th June 2007 at Queen Elizabeth The Queen Mother Hospital, Margate, to Steven and Gemma, a gorgeous baby daughter, Lexie Ann.

PUNNI
Karamjit and Hardip are delighted to announce the birth of their son Veer Singh a brother for Parri Kaur. Baby was born on 6th May 2007 weighing 9lb 5oz. He looks forward to meeting all of his family.

RICKARD
Jamie and Donna of Faversham are delighted to announce the birth of their son,Sam, born on 8th May 2007. Brother to Bradley and Adam.

ROBERTS
Charlie born on12th June 2007 weighing 8lb 7oz. Son to Emma and Neil of Canterbury.

ROSE
Tom and Rebecca of Whitfield are delighted, and proud, to announce the birth of their son, Harrison Michael Rose born on 8th June 2007. Baby brother for Maddison and first grandson for Michael and Glen.

ROSS
Thomas and Rebecca celebrate the birth of their daughter Lilly-May Ross on 5th June 2007, weighing 7lbs 13oz.

RUBIE
Charlotte May born on 23rd May 2007, weighing 7lb 14oz. Daughter to Claire and Chris Rubie of Romney Marsh.

RYDER
Beth and Philip Ryder of Bearsted celebrate the birth of their son Adam Nicholas Ryder, brother to Alex and James. Born on 25th May 2007, weighing 8lb 7oz.

SALES
Molly Louise was born on the seventh June 2007 to her proud parents Matthew and Lisa. Molly weighed in at a tiny 5lb 7oz. She is a total delight.

SHEPHERD
Karl and Vicky celebrate the birth of their son Connor Barry Shepherd on 2nd June 2007.

SMITH
Nathan Gary born on 8th June 2007, weighing 7lbs 1oz. Son to Paul and Claire in Broadstairs.

SMITH
James and Leanne of Biddenden are pleased to announce the birth of their wonderful baby son Jack David Smith, born on 17th June 2007, weighing 8lb 1oz.

STOKOE
Ruby born on 31st May 2007, weighing 7lbs 9oz. Daughter to Daniel and Monica of Dartford.

STRINGER
Nichola and Paul are delighted to announce the birth of their baby boy Thomas George Nicholas born 14th June 2007.

THOMPSON
Hannah and Richard Thompson celebrate the birth of their son Seth Levi Thompson on 6th June 2007.

WENBAN
Gavin and Eleanor of Kingsnorth Ashford are proud to announce the birth of their baby boy, Liam, born at home, during a thuderstorm on 8th June 2007 at 3am. Liam weighed 7lb 5oz. A brother for Lianna.

WICKENDEN
Grace Natasha born on 1st June 2007,weighing 8lbs 7oz. Daughter to Steve and Becki Wickenden in Margate.

WILLS-McCAFFERY
Tyrone and Kim of Whitstable celebrate the birth of their beautiful son, Dean Frederick Paul Wills-McCaffery born on 29th May 2007 at QEQM Margate Hospital weighing 9lb 5.5oz.

DEATHS

ADAMS
Joan Kathleen peacefully passed away on 16th June 2007 in Whitstable. Loved and missed by all her family.

BRIGHTMAN
Toots It is so hard to say goodbye. Winifred Edith died on 14th June 2007 in Faversham aged 93 years.

BROOKES
John Frederick Brookes died peacefully on 14th June 2007 at Maidstone Hospital. He will be sincerely missed by all his family and friends.

BURNS
Martin Victor Burns of Faversham, formerly of Bray County Wicklow, aged 70 years, died suddenly at Kent and Canterbury Hospital on 11th June 2007. The Funeral has taken place.

CANN
Grant George Cann of Singleton, Ashford, formerly of Downham Bromley, passed away peacefully at home, with his family, after a short illness, on 14th June 2007. Will be sadly missed by all who knew him.

CARMAN
William (Bill) George Carman of Larkfield died on 15th June 2007 at The Heart of Kent Hospice. Enquiries to Ladybirds, Barming 01622 727292.

COLLINS
Gladys Alice passed away in the Brabourne Care Centre on the 15th June 2007 after a short illness.

DRAPER
Leslie Draper passed away on 18th June 2007 at Darent Valley Hospital aged 76 years. Funeral to be held on Thursday 28th June at Medway Crematorium at 10.40 am. All welcome.

EGAN
Elizabeth Egan of Rainham, passed away peacefully after a long illness on 17th June 2007, aged 65. All enquiries to John Weir Funeral Directors 01634 373111.

EVANS
John, of Woodchurch aged 62, passed away on 14th June 2007. Funeral service held on 21st June at Charing Crematorium. Donations to Pilgrims Hospice Ashford.

GYMER
Alan John Gymer. Lived a full and happy life. Much loved. Publican of the Queens Head Northfleet. Funeral to be held on 27th June 2 pm at St Marys Church Fawkham Kent. Enquiries to 01959 525500

ROSS
Robert Ross of Faversham passed away peacefully after a long illness on 17th June 2007. Funeral to take place at Medway Crematorium at 11.00am on 29th June 2007. Enquiries to Apps Funeral Directors, Luton Road, Chatham.

THEOBALD
Peg (Margaret Lillian Hilda) Theobald of High Halden passed away on 8th June 2007. She will be very sadly missed by all the family. Together with dad again.

TOUCHARD
John Touchard passed away on 14th June 2007 at Honeyfields Residential Home Hextable. Enquiries to Co-op Funeralcare 01322 220006.

WILLIAMS
Sheila nee DOYLE passed away 12th June 2007 in Canterbury Funeral already taken place.

WILSON
Kevin Barry Wilson of Littlebourne passed away suddenly but peacefully on 3rd June 2007. Loving husband of Debra and son-in-law to Margaret. Kevin will be very sadly missed.

WREN
Winifred Ellen Wren of Canterbury suddenly but peacefully passed away on 10th June 2007. Loving wife of Arthur and much loved aunt who will be very sadly missed.

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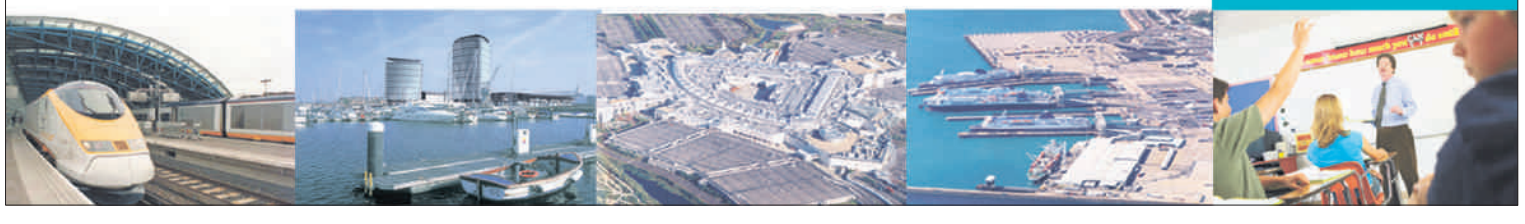

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Liberal Democrat MP Julia Goldsworthy, who tabled the EDM, said many people struggled to manage their finances effectively because of "poor levels of financial capability".

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First media professor for university

By **CHRIS MURPHY**
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TOP journalist Tim Luckhurst has joined the University of Kent at Medway as its first Professor of Journalism and the News Industry.

The columnist, broadcaster and author has a wealth of media and journalism experience spanning more than two decades.

A former editor and deputy editor of The Scotsman, he is also a contributor to newspapers and websites including The Independent and Independent on Sunday, The Times, Guardian Unlimited, The Toronto Globe and Mail, The Los Angeles Times and The Scottish Daily Mail.

He also works as a commentator on politics, media, foreign affairs and motorcycling for a range of television and radio stations.

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Professor Luckhurst, 44, has held various editorial positions at the BBC, including duty editor for the Today programme, assistant editor for Radio Five Live and bi-media editor of News Programmes for BBC Scotland.

His work for the BBC included foreign postings to Washington DC, coverage of the Romanian revolution in 1989 and reports from the first Gulf War in 1991.

Part of his remit will be to set up the university's newest degree programme, Journalism and the News Industry.

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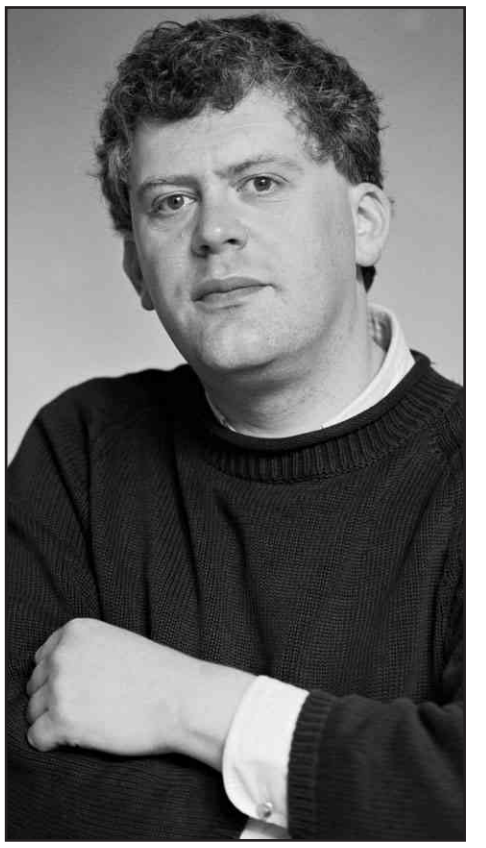

WEALTH OF EXPERIENCE: Tim Luckhurst

The course will also be offered as a postgraduate conversion course and to full-time journalists looking to further their knowledge of the profession.

Professor Luckhurst said he was passionate about the role of teaching in helping a new generation of journalists meet the challenges of the 21st century.

He said: "Many of the most talented young people want to be journalists. They have the drive, ambition, intellectual curiosity and creativity that can't be satisfied in any other profession.

"It's vital to equip the next generation of reporters with the full range of skills they'll need to have successful careers, whether they are launching radio stations, working as foreign correspondents or editing websites.

"It's equally important to inspire journalists not only to do the job to a high technical specification, but to contribute ideas and ethical values, and to understand the crucial contribution good journalism makes to nurturing democratic freedoms.

"The university is entering new territory with this course and it's exciting to be playing a part. I've been impressed with the whole ethos and culture of the Medway campus and its contribution to the economic resurgence of the Medway region."

Dean of the University, Dr Anthony Ward, said: "It's a fascinating time to be teaching journalism, as the ways of delivering news and information are evolving so quickly."

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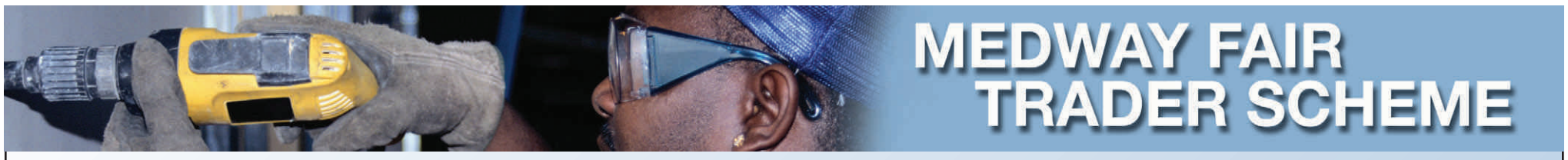

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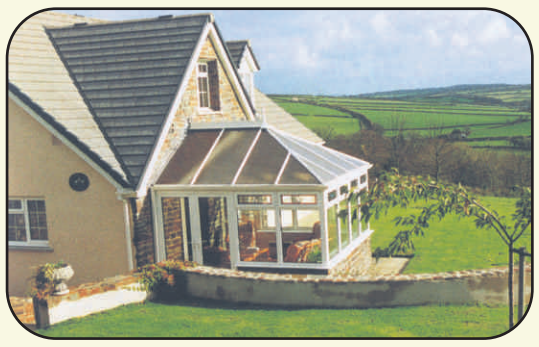

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Bee kind to pests

By **JANE JEWITT**

"THOUGHT for the Day" on Radio 4 recently mentioned a Chinese book translating as "Everything Changes". How true, and how quickly too.

When I returned from a week's holiday I thought I had walked into someone else's garden. The ideal combination of sun and rain had really done their work; everything was so lush and lovely.

So if the plants have been growing, it's certain that the pests have been doing likewise, and with all that fresh growth they will have lots to feed on.

I want to garden organically, so I am very happy with the new generation of organic pest controls that are based on pyrethrums, natural fatty acids, plant and fish oils and seaweed extracts. Though even these advise against using them in the presence of bees.

To garden organically, you must first be aware of what is happening out there. Go out into your garden every day, and try to go out at different times of the day. Look very carefully at your plants, remember that the more you look the more you will see. And after all, watching your plants grow and bloom is one of the best things about gardening.

PRETTY IN PINK: Rosa Graham Thomas has a light, delicate perfume

MELLOW YELLOW: Rosa Renne Victoria has a strong scented flower

Once you have a detailed picture in your head of how each plant should look you will be instantly aware of any changes that occur. You will know immediately if a pest infestation is serious enough to warrant some action.

I would always delay spraying until it is clear that natural predators cannot cope with an infestation. Spray in late evening when the breeze has died away, and when the nectar feeding insects are least active. Remember to spray the undersides of the leaves and never be tempted to increase the concentration of the chemical, it won't kill bugs any faster and could possibly kill your plant.

Become aware of the appearance of the larvae of beneficial insects. The larvae of ladybirds don't look terribly nice, but you certainly wouldn't want to harm them.

Embark on a long-term project to encourage pest predators into your garden. Frogs and hedgehogs, birds and beetles will be attracted to your garden if you can provide a habitat for them. Add bird boxes, bat boxes, an old log, and a patch of long grass. Add plants that produce lots of nectar, for example, honeysuckles, roses, foxgloves, buddlejias, geraniums, many daisy flowers, cornflowers and hollyhocks. You will have created a garden with a much greater biodiversity, and a much healthier place for your plants.

For further information call Jane on 01732 882711 or e-mail janejewitt@tiscali.co.uk.

Expensive move

DO you have a spare £22,289? If not, then it's unlikely you'll be able to afford to move home in the near future, even if you've already saved up the deposit. A new study from Abbey Mortgages has found that the true cost of moving, once all the fees are taken into account plus the expenses incurred during the first year on DIY and so forth, is in fact £22,289 on average.

Perfect pots

THREE ways to water your containers:

1. If your pot has dried out, stand the whole container in a bucket or washing-up bowl of water and place it in the shade for around half an hour, until the compost is soaked through.
2. If you don't have a watering can fitted with a rose spray to distribute water evenly, place a piece of slate or old crock into the corner of the pot tilted downwards towards the plant and gently pour water on to it. Repeat in each corner.
3. Mix water-retaining gels with compost prior to planting. The gels will swell to many times their own weight, releasing moisture to plants when they need it.

Plane speaking

HOT weather makes wood swell and can sometimes make doors stick to the point where you struggle to open them. If this is the case, trying planing the bottom until the door opens and closes more easily. An electric plane will make this job easier.

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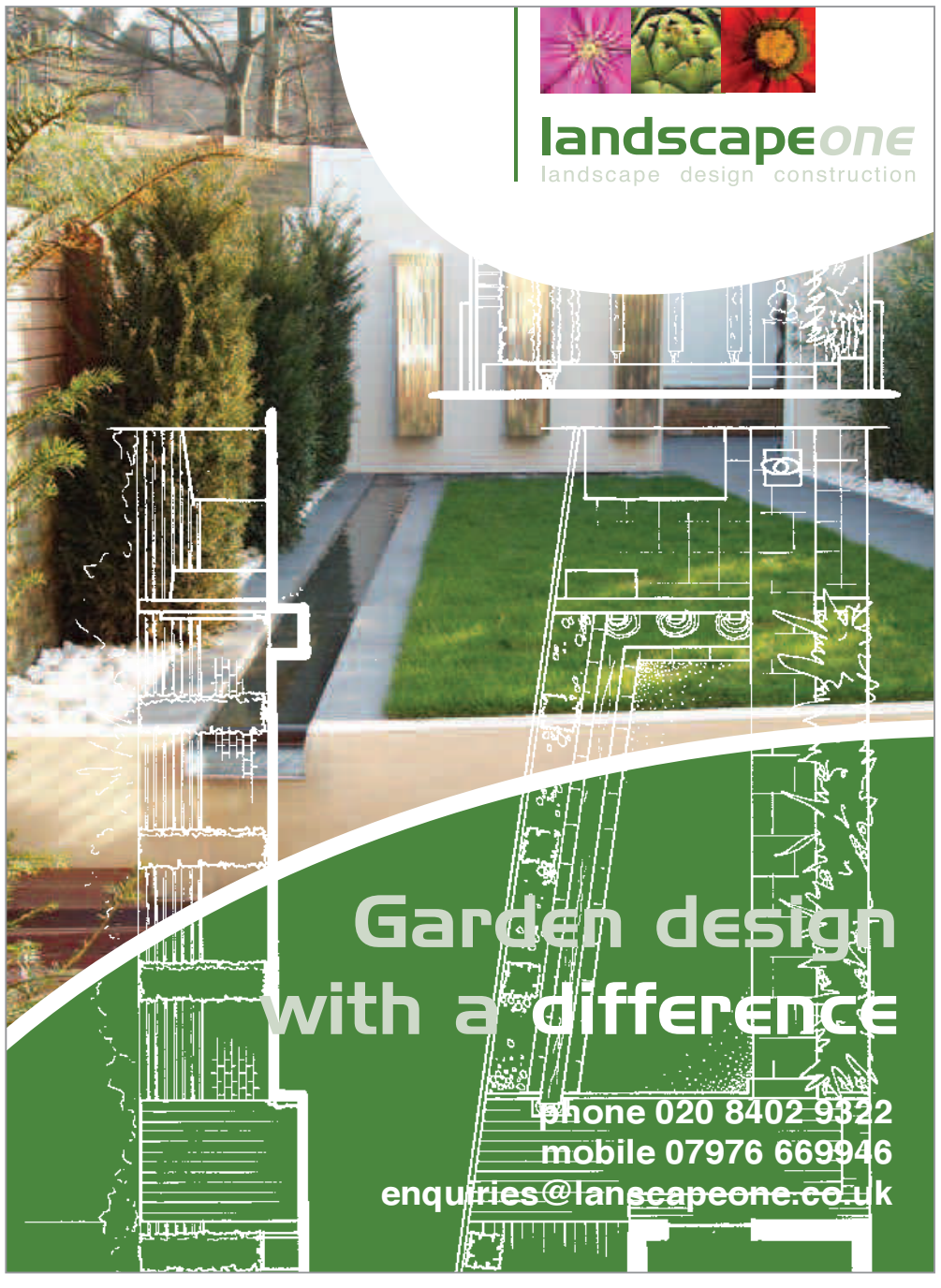

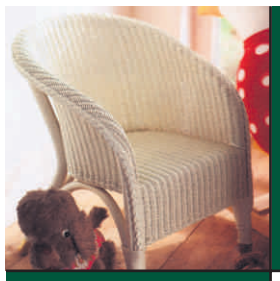

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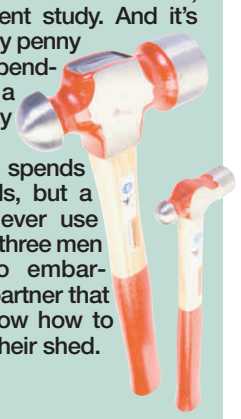
WITH ever-increasing energy bills, it's now more important than ever to shop around for a supplier after it was revealed that two companies are charging £100 more than their rivals. Some duel-fuel customers could save £140 by changing to the cheapest supplier, with price wars being sparked after one major provider announced cheaper gas and electricity bills, following falling gas prices.

Bunch of tools

BRITAIN is a nation of DIY dunces, according to a recent study. And it's costing them a pretty penny because they are spending £318 million a year on tools they never use.



The average guy spends £39 a year on tools, but a third admit they never use any of them. Two in three men said they are too embarrassed to tell their partner that they don't even know how to use all the tools in their shed.

House bosses

A FIFTH of buy-to-let landlords are now 'professional' and earn the equivalent of the national average wage from their rentals. They are defined as owning property worth more than £1 million, or those who have been landlords for two or more years with six people to 20 properties. Around 40 per cent of buy-to-let landlords own property in the South East of England, as they take advantage of higher rental yields.

Cash conversion

ADDING an extra bedroom to your house could increase the value of your property by up to 20 per cent. A survey looked at the difference in value between identical houses in the same area, but one had three bedrooms and the other four.

All the houses with a fourth bedroom were between 17 per cent and 20 per cent more than the smaller properties. Many of the houses have had converted lofts or garages to give them extra space, at a cost of around £15,000. But they recouped more than this amount when it came to selling the property.

Up against the wall

Add a new dimension to any room with modern box art and painted canvases

By CHARLOTTE WILSON

FOR the style conscious homeowner, wall decoration is becoming even more of a trend. While wallpaper has made a welcome return and continues to grow in popularity, the options for decorating the surfaces in our home don't just stop with fabulous patterned papers.

Graham and Brown's range of Wall Art can add instant style to any room, without costing a fortune.

Last season's metallic trend is set to stay and Graham & Brown's range of metal impressions will add shimmering texture to the wall, giving an instant stylish update.

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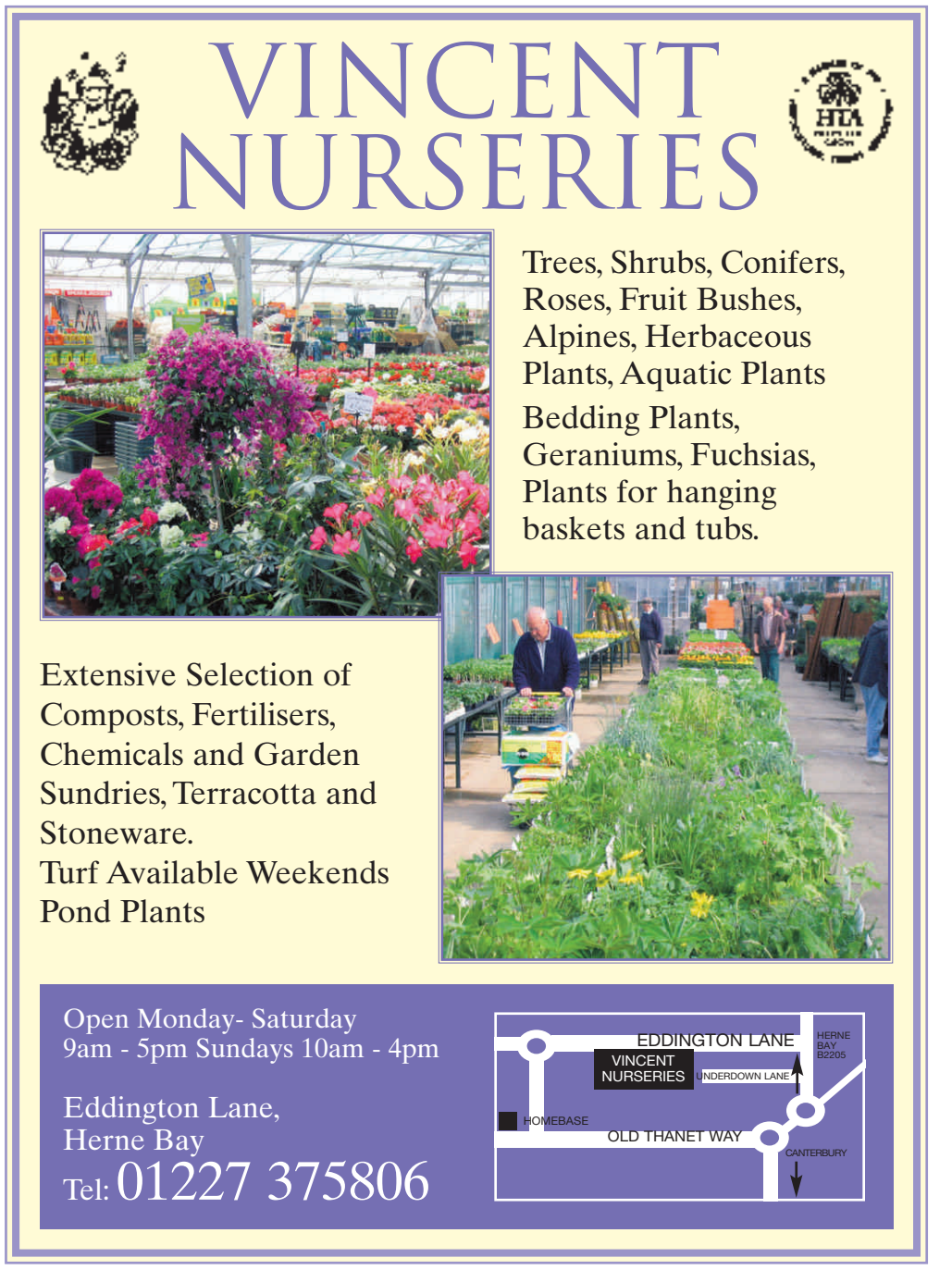

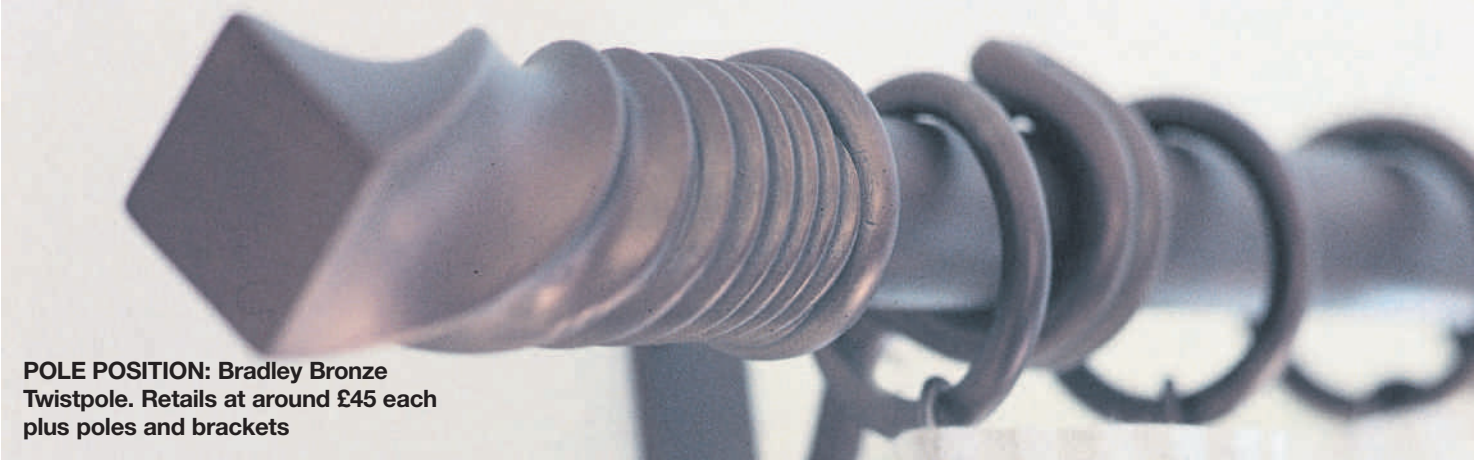

POLE POSITION: Bradley Bronze Twistpole. Retails at around £45 each plus poles and brackets

Finishing touches

Make a room special by adding a little extra

By **FAY HANDLEY**

WHEN decorating your home it is frequently the small finishing accessories which are so important in completing a room and adding that all-important personal touch.

Items such as curtain poles, door furniture and threshold strips can easily be overlooked and chosen in haste at the end of a project; their contribution to the overall look however can be as central as selecting your colour schemes or the purchasing of higher value items such as curtains and flooring.

The choice of well-designed, quality decorative accessories has never been more extensive than it is today. There are numerous styles available from Gothic to Art Deco inspired and contemporary chic to rustic in an ever-increasing choice of metal finishes including traditional antique brass, subtle bronze, satin nickel or the ever popular black.

When considering decorative accessories to complement your interior then choosing co-ordinating or similarly themed designs can create a subtle note of sophistication and enhance, rather than detract, the key decorating focus of a room. Here are the latest inspirational ideas to add a touch of distinction to your home.

Door handles

Matching door handles are the perfect way to create continuity throughout the home. Finesse Design works in solid pewter and has turned handles into an irresistible art form.

Door thresholds

Fortunately there are now some attractive options to the thin metal strips commonly supplied to join carpets in doorways. Smart options such as solid brass door thresholds, with optional decorative insets and available in a number of metal finishes, will set off any floor covering and turn a necessary join in a doorway into an attractive feature. Used at the entrance to each room and visible from a hall or landing, thresholds are the perfect way to add character to the heart of the house.

Stair Rods

Stair rods were traditionally used to fix stair carpets in place but today they are decorative accessories for stair runners and fitted carpets. Guaranteed to brighten up the dullest of hallways they are also an excellent way to create an illusion of breadth for even the narrowest of staircases.

Lights

Another way to add life and ambience to a dull hallway or landing is with co-ordinated wall lights. Not only do they provide good lighting in a traditionally dark area of the home but they can also be an interesting design feature in what is a frequently used area of the house.

Light coverplates

Functionality need not be the sole consideration when choosing light switch coverplates as there are now many, elegant alternative options to the standard, white plastic versions.

Curtain poles

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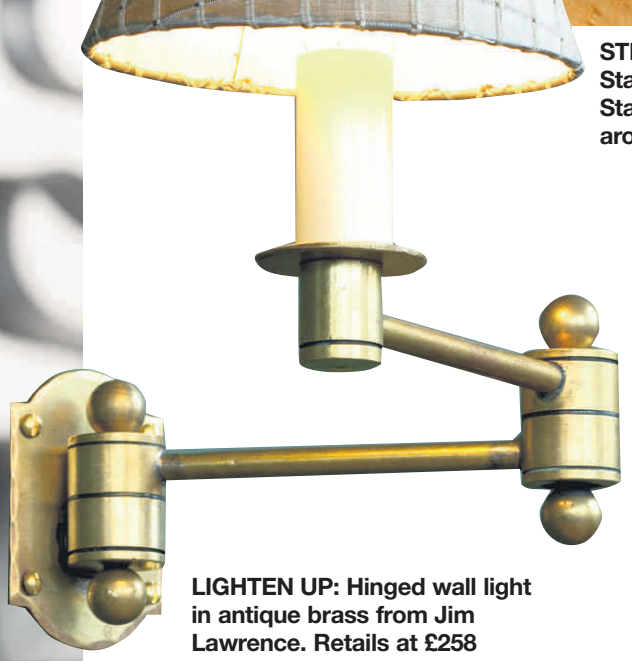
GET A HANDLE ON IT: Swirl door knob on rose from Finesse Design. Retails at around £58.23

STEP UP THE DESIGN: Stairrod Crystal from Stairrods (UK). Retails at around £24 each



LIGHTEN UP: Hinged wall light in antique brass from Jim Lawrence. Retails at £258

SWITCH IT: Single Rocker switch coverplate in pewter from Finesse Design. Retails at £11.50

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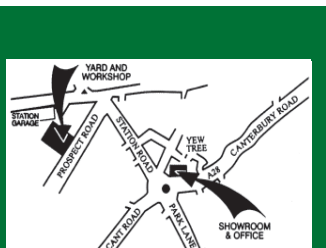

Tile to make a colourful change in the bathroom

By **JULIE DOE**

A GLORIOUS tidal-wave of colour is about to wash over the British tiling world, offering a refreshing and overdue change to the beiges and natural stone looks that have dominated the market for many years.

Homeowners will be inspired by the colours and solutions offered in Rovic Tiles showrooms, which will transform any bathroom into a work of art, and you'd be surprised at how little that facelift can cost.

Continental homes have long-enjoyed the more adventurous hues as yet unsavoured by the English, but for Kent householders, there is an advancing spectrum of colour on the horizon.

Statement

Rovic Tiles is about to launch the new and exciting 'Emotions' range which may require some courage from those wanting to make a statement in the bathroom, but which will create that WOW! factor that so many of us crave. Used effectively with Rovic's beautiful glass mosaics, the results can be stunning, whilst inexpensive. In addition, the complete innovative Viva Ceramica collection can be viewed – the collection which proudly declares itself 'Happy to be different'.

Of course, the beauty, versatility and timelessness of travertine copies, beiges and whites must never be underestimated and these will always be the most popular choices. Rovic offers a comprehensive range to satisfy all tastes and budgets. The highly experienced showroom staff are bursting with creative ideas to add style and sophistication to even the smallest of rooms, and re-kindle the excitement of choosing those finishing touches – the signature that makes it your home.

For those with more adventurous projects, Rovic's free home design service takes the hard work out of searching for the perfect solution, bringing Rovic's premier customer service to your home.

Because Rovic imports directly from the continent, prices are kept to a minimum and a next day delivery service is available on most ranges. Showrooms are stocked with tools, trim, grout and adhesive and aftercare products – everything the DIY enthusiast needs to complete the job.

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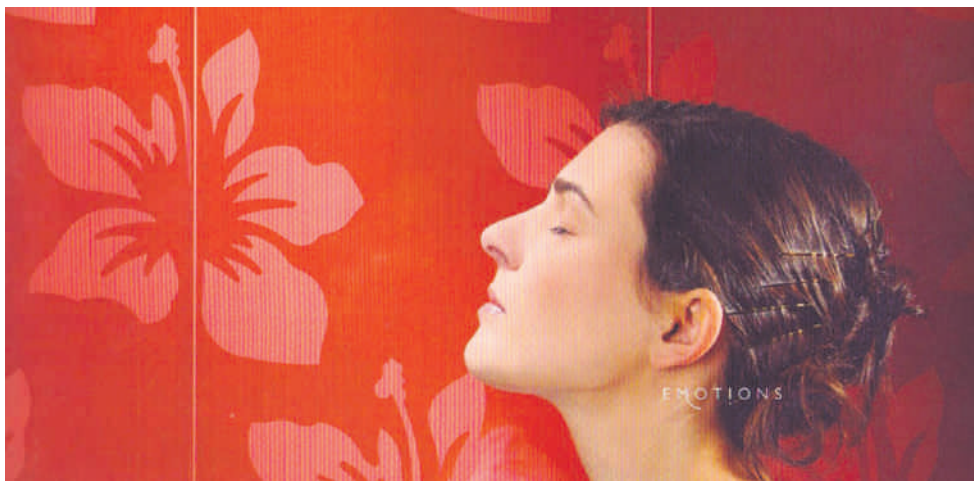

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A new world for the garden

By **CHARLOTTE WILSON**

NOW that summer has finally arrived, ensuring the garden is in tip-top condition is a priority for many us.

There's nothing better than being able to kick back and make the most of the long, warm evenings in a well looked-after garden.

Gardening World at Newington near Sittingbourne caters for every garden and each gardener's need.

A team of expert staff are on hand to offer advice and tips for those that are new to the gardening game.

As a retail plant nursery, the centre grows all its own plants on site so visitors will find a huge range of trees, shrubs, perennials, roses, hanging baskets and bedding plants.

Not only does the centre stock an ever-expanding range of flowers, seeds and shrubs, there is an extensive range of decoration for the home as well as the garden.

African

The owners of Gardening World, Mark Adu-Sarpong and Carol Sage opened an African Craft centre on the site last year, which sells an extensive range of beautiful and authentic African crafts.

Carol explained the reasons for this new side of the business: "Mark was born in Ghana, West Africa, but has lived in the UK for many years.

"We have a vision to provide financial aid to Mark's community in Ghana, many of whom live in very basic conditions and struggle to provide for their families. But, we did not want to just raise funds and pass on charitable donations, we felt that it would be more supportive and encouraging to provide marketing initiatives for craftsmen and their families whose skills have been handed down from generation to generation. Therefore the idea of opening an African craft centre was born."

The pair initially bought their first stock from small shops, paying the carvers, weavers and potters direct while they were in Ghana and had the goods shipped back to Kent.

Carol said: "Now, following the success of the African Craft Centre, we have been able to set up the beginnings of our own craft village on the outskirts of Accra on a plot of land owned by Mark's mum. We have renovated and converted two old buildings, one into a large indoor workshop for our own carvers, and the other providing living accommodation for them. We have just completed building a large kiln so that we can also employ our own potters.

"Our mission now is to develop our craft village in Ghana into a community of craftsmen, and open it, eventually, as a tourist destination, thereby providing regular employment from these highly skilled workers.

"If you decide to buy some craft from our site, we hope that it gives you great pleasure, maybe it will remind you of a holiday or trip you made to Africa, or maybe you have always loved African animals or have always wanted a drum… whatever your reasons we thank you for your purchase and we hope you will visit us one day to see the whole collection for yourself".

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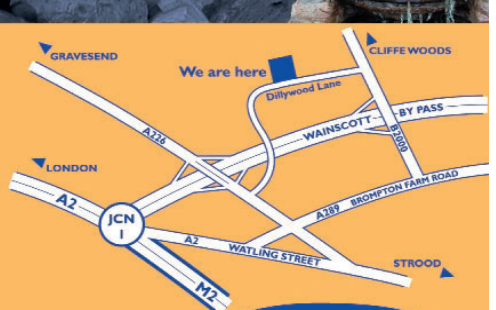

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The school is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of the young people in its care and all posts are subject to an enhanced CRB disclosure.

Closing Date is 4 July 2007.

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Community Development Team

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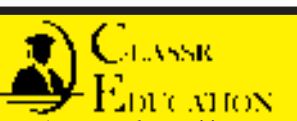

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Be part of a new team which will make a real difference in the Medway Gap, a place of dramatic contrasts lying within and beside the Kent Downs Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty (AONB).

We have the funding and local support in place to deliver an ambitious project that takes an integrated and sustainable approach to landscape, access and heritage management.

The Valley of Visions Scheme has a budget of £2.4m over three years – partly financed by the Heritage Lottery Fund Landscape Partnership Scheme.

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All posts are fixed term three years initially, based at The Cedars, Snodland.

Project Manager

£34,500 - £39,710 per annum

You will lead a dynamic team of four staff to deliver the Valley of Vision Landscape Partnership Scheme.

This will be achieved through advocacy, development of partnerships and delivery of an integrated suite of projects to enhance and protect the landscape, improve access, raise capacity in partners and the local community and increase community engagement.

Your role will be to manage and develop the team, establish and build partnerships and work with partners to deliver the potential of the Valley of Vision scheme. You will ensure that projects are integrated and delivered on time and to budget, use your influence and experience to promote the Valley of Vision Project and work with partners and team members to further develop programmes and secure the financial arrangements for the second and third year of operation.

A key part of your role will be to look beyond the three years that HLF have funded to secure a legacy and future for this exciting initiative.

As Project Manager you will be involved in the recruitment of the rest of the Valley of Visions team.

Please quote reference ER/07/027S.

Interview date: 23 or 25 July 2007.

Landscape, Access and Heritage Project Officer

£25,520 - £29,190 per annum

You will be responsible for delivering a range of landscape, access and heritage projects on public and private land across the project area, liaising with and advising landowners and co-ordinating delivery partnerships and contractors.

Specifically, you will manage, develop and co-ordinate three key programmes; The Medway Gap Landscape & Habitat Programme, The Medway Countryside Links Programme and the Medway Gap Industrial Heritage Programme.

Please quote reference ER/07/024S.

Interpretation and Community Engagement Officer

£25,520 - £29,190 per annum

You will work with the Valley of Visions Team members and other partners to develop, co-ordinate and implement community engagement in, and interpretation of, the landscape and heritage of the Medway Gap.

In addition to providing expertise in community engagement and interpretation you will manage, develop and co-ordinate implementation of the Interpretation and Community Engagement Plan.

Please quote reference ER/07/023S.

Part-time Training Officer

£22,260 - £25,520 per annum pro rata

You will implement the Valley of Visions Training Plan – a cross cutting programme of training which will improve the capacity of the local communities and partnership organisations, as well as the Valley of Visions Team itself.

Please quote reference ER/07/025S.

Part-time Finance Reporting and Partnership Officer

£22,260 - £25,520 per annum pro rata

You will work closely with each member of the Valley of Visions Team to make sure that the finance and project monitoring is carried out in a proper and verifiable manner. You will also provide an important support role to the Valley of Vision Project Manager and the Partnership Board providing the secretariat.

All officers employed by the Medway Gap Valley of Vision Landscape Partnership Scheme will be expected to work across programmes to support all of the programmes and projects in an integrated way.

Please quote reference ER/07/026S.

The Valley of Visions team will work as part of the Kent Downs AONB Unit and will be employed by Kent County Council.

For further details contact Nick Johannsen on 01303 815170.

To apply visit www.kent.gov.uk or email recruitment.line@kent.gov.uk telephone 08458 247 904, Minicom 08458 247 905 (charged at local rate).

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Tutor/Assessors – Hairdressing KEY Training Services

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For both roles you need to:

- Be a qualified hairdresser with recent hairdressing experience
- Be an A1 (D32/33) qualified Assessor
- Have experience of training delivery – preferably with a teaching/training qualification.

For the term-time Tutor you need to:

- Have the experience and interest to work with students aged 14-16.

For the Sessional Tutor or Assessor you need to:

- Be available to work a minimum of 15 hours per week – days and times to be agreed.

The ability to travel is necessary and posts are subject to an Enhanced Disclosure Application to the Criminal Records Bureau.

For an application form and job description email key.recruitment@kent.gov.uk telephone 01622 203602 or write to Damian Young, KEY Training (16+ Programmes), 3 Palace Avenue, Maidstone, Kent ME15 6NF.

Please quote reference *CD/07/128S.

Closing date: Midday, 3 July 2007.

Senior Early Childhood Education Partner

£34,500 - £39,710 per annum
Dartford/Gravesham (Office base in Maidstone)

Following promotions, Advisory Service Kent (ASK) Early Years and Childcare Unit is seeking to appoint a Senior Early Childhood Education Partner to lead an area-based team in Dartford and Gravesham.

As an excellent practitioner, you will be responsible for:

- Leading the work of a team which provides advice, guidance, support and quality assurance to early years and childcare providers and settings
- The provision of training in the area to meet the needs of both settings and practitioners and Local Authority targets
- Monitoring the quality of provision in education and childcare in the early years
- Challenging and supporting providers and settings in achieving improved OFSTED outcomes, accreditation through the Kent Quality Standards Scheme as well as high quality out of school provision
- Taking a county lead responsibility for Inclusion and Equality in Early Years (including SEN, AEN and vulnerable groups) ensuring consistency across the county.

Working as part of our great team offers excellent professional development opportunities.

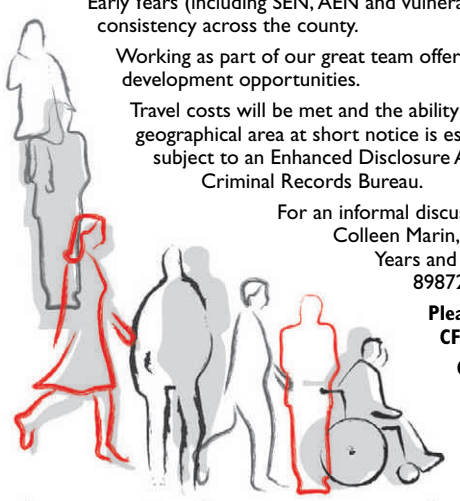
Travel costs will be met and the ability to travel across a wide geographical area at short notice is essential. The post is subject to an Enhanced Disclosure Application to the Criminal Records Bureau.

For an informal discussion, please contact Colleen Marin, Senior Adviser, Early Years and Childcare on 01233 898722.

Please quote reference CFE/07/206S.

Closing date: Midday, 29 June 2007.

Interviews will be held on 16/17 July 2007.



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Kent School Sport Manager

Kent Sports Development Officer

Both posts £29,190 - £34,500 +
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Two exciting opportunities have arisen for motivated and innovative individuals to join the Kent Sports Development Unit. We are looking for committed people with the capacity to work with, influence and motivate, a range of partners and agencies.

You will have excellent communication, organisation, presentation, decision-making and negotiation skills. In addition you will have relevant experience and knowledge, partnership working skills, and the ability to work independently as well as within a team.

The Kent School Sport Manager will lead on the Unit's work supporting the network of Sports Colleges and School Sport Partnerships to link with relevant agencies, such as National Governing Bodies and local authorities, in order to provide a range of opportunities for young people.

The Kent Sports Development Officer will lead the Unit's work on developing and supporting sports performance and excellence, and in developing our work on participation with particular focus on equalities and links with health.

If you feel you are up for the challenge, have the necessary experience and skills and want to work in a friendly, busy and professional team, then we would like to hear from you.

Due to the nature of these posts and the opportunity to influence others working with young people and vulnerable adults, you will be required to undergo a Disclosure Check through the Criminal Records Bureau.

Kent School Sport Manager – Reference CD/07/124S.

Kent Sports Development Officer – Reference CD/07/125S.

Closing date: Midday, 2 July 2007.

Interview dates: 18 July 2007 – School Sport Manager, 24 July 2007 – Sports Development Officer.

Early Childhood Education Partner (Birth-3)

£29,190 - £34,500 per annum pro rata
1 x 37 hours or 2 x 18.5 hours per week

Canterbury/Swale and Ashford/Shepway

Advisory Service Kent (ASK) is seeking to appoint an Early Childhood Education Partner (Birth-3), to work across the Canterbury/Swale areas and Ashford/Shepway, full-time, or two part-time postholders, each covering a double area.

We are looking for excellent practitioner(s) who will work as part of an area team in:

- Providing guidance to early years and childcare providers and settings in supporting their own processes of self-review to raise standards
- Delivering training that meets the needs of practitioners as well as the targets for the Local Authority
- Contributing to the improvement of provision and standards in the region
- Challenging and supporting settings in achieving improved OFSTED outcomes and/or accreditation through the Kent Quality Standards Scheme.

This is an exciting role, which offers excellent professional development opportunities.

Travel costs will be met and the ability to travel across a wide geographical area at short notice is essential. The post is subject to an Enhanced Disclosure Application to the Criminal Records Bureau.

For an informal discussion, please contact Colleen Marin, Senior Adviser, Early Years and Childcare on 01233 898722.

Please quote reference CFE/07/201S.

Closing date: Midday, 29 June 2007.

Interviews will be held on 16/17 July 2007.

Project Leader

£13,930 - £22,040
Adolescent Resource Centre 25, Folkestone

The Adolescent Resource Centre concept is well established in other areas of Kent. The Folkestone 'ARC 25' builds on the existing models of innovative multi-agency alternative curriculum projects for disengaged and disaffected KS4 young people, providing broad professional support from a range of agencies and an exciting working environment.

Committed to high quality and genuinely imaginative education, focused on the needs of young people, ARC 25 in Folkestone is looking for committed education staff to join a team working from other agencies, including Social Services, Youth & Community, Connexions, Youth Offending Service and Health.

You will have to provide evidence of commitment to the welfare of, and effective working with, vulnerable, disengaged KS4 students and have a proven commitment to multi-agency team working and curriculum innovation.

This post is subject to an Enhanced Disclosure Application to the Criminal Records Bureau.

For an informal discussion about the post phone Deborah Birks on 07919 535639.

Please quote reference CFE/07/195S.

Closing date: Midday, 29 June 2007.

Personnel Team Assistant

£16,220 - £17,840 per annum
Full or part-time (salary for part-time posts will be pro rata)
Kings Hill

The Schools' Personnel Service provides a comprehensive personnel service to schools across Kent. We are looking to recruit a Personnel Team Assistant to join our busy, hardworking team producing contracts of employment, liaising with schools' payroll providers, as well as giving advice and support to Headteachers and Governing Bodies.

You should have good keyboard skills, the ability to quickly learn new systems, good communication skills and be able to prioritise and effectively manage your workload whilst keeping to strict deadlines. Personnel experience would be an advantage but is not essential, as full training will be provided.

Please indicate on your application form if you are interested in a part-time position. Part-time hours of five mornings per week or five afternoons per week will be considered.

For an informal discussion about the role please contact Shirley Monk on 01732 525241.

Please quote reference CED/07/079S.

Closing date: Midday, 3 July 2007.

Teaching Assistants

£13,610 - £15,440 per annum pro rata
Term-time only (38 weeks of the year, 35 hours per week)
Thanet, Project 15

This is an innovative alternative curriculum project for disengaged and disaffected KS4 students, involving an engaging and broad curriculum and a new slant on curriculum delivery.

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You will have to provide evidence of effective working with disengaged KS4 students and have a proven commitment to teaching, learning and curriculum innovation.

This post is subject to an Enhanced Disclosure Application to the Criminal Records Bureau.

For an informal discussion about the posts phone Nick Waters on 01843 852242.

Please quote reference CFE/07/196S.

Closing date: Midday, 29 June 2007.

To apply for any of the above posts, visit www.kent.gov.uk or email recruitment.line@kent.gov.uk telephone 08458 247 904, Minicom 08458 247 905 (charged at local rate) quoting the appropriate reference.

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You will have a relevant teaching qualification, such as QTS, Cert Ed, C&G 7307/7407, and knowledge of the Adult Core Curriculum. In addition, C&G 7061/2, D32, D33, D34 and a qualification in Basic Food Hygiene are desirable.

All appointments are subject to an Enhanced Disclosure from the Criminal Records Bureau and necessary prison security checks.

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Closing date: 10am, 6th July 2007.

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For an informal discussion, please contact Steve Austin, Team Leader, on 01303 858699.

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For an informal discussion, please contact Jane Worrell, Operations Manager, on 01303 853226.

Both posts are subject to pay award and job evaluation.

If you would like further information or an application form for either of the above positions, download at www.shepway.gov.uk email jobs@shepway.gov.uk or call our 24 hour answerphone service on 01303 853481.

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4 x Teaching Assistants (2 in Primary and 2 in Secondary)
1 x Teaching Assistant (Primary) - Temporary to cover maternity leave

The successful candidates will work within either the primary or secondary phase supporting pupils with a range of behaviour and learning needs.

Experience of working in a school environment with special needs pupils in particular, would be an advantage but not essential.

NURSERY ASSISTANT

The Step Ahead Nursery is well established and enjoys an excellent reputation locally. It provides early intervention and support through a broad curriculum that enables children to take up mainstream school places at the age of 5.

The successful candidate will have a successful track record in the education and care of pre-school children.

For more information on any of the positions and an application pack, please contact the school. Closing date: Friday 29th June 2007.
Interviews: Thursday 5th July & Friday 6th July 2007

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UNIVERSITY CENTRE FOLKESTONE

In September 2007 Canterbury Christ Church University and the University of Greenwich will open the University Centre Folkestone (UCF).

Information and Learning Support Officer

Ref: ILS/UCF/77

£19,263 to £21,050 per annum

Working closely with key staff across both universities, you will provide induction, support, advice and training to staff and students in the operation and use of computing facilities, materials and equipment. This will include providing first line information/computing support and assistance in the use of the networks of the two universities. In addition, this will involve first line support for library services, including liaison with academic services librarians at each university and liaison with the Folkestone Public Library staff who will provide traditional library services to UCF.

You will be of degree calibre, have excellent IT skills, and have computing experience preferably in a networked environment.

A higher level qualification in Computing or Information Management would be an advantage.

Integrated Student Support Services Officer

(Two part-time 0.5 posts or one full-time post)

Ref: ISS/UCF/77

£19,263 to £21,050 per annum (pro rata if part-time)

Working closely with key staff across both universities, you will be responsible for setting up integrated student help desk services, offering first line student support and guidance and making referrals to specialist student support and guidance staff as appropriate.

You will be of degree calibre, have experience of student support and guidance services in higher education and have good IT and administrative skills. You will have a high standard of customer care and a genuine concern for the needs of students.

Experience of working in student support and guidance services in further or higher education would be an advantage.

Campus Caretaker

Ref: CAR/UCF/77

£13,339 to 14,854 per annum

The post provides an opportunity for a hardworking, flexible and motivated individual to assist in the successful development of this project. You will undertake basic maintenance tasks in respect of the building and the grounds and assist with a range of housekeeping/cleaning tasks.

You will have GCSE English A – C or equivalent and will hold (or will be expected to obtain following appointment to the post) a Health and Safety First Aid at Work Certificate. You will require current or very recent experience as a caretaker or 'handyman' and have previous experience of a post involving responsibility for security.

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Application forms and further details are available from www.canterbury.ac.uk. Alternatively please call 01227 782475 (answerphone) or e-mail hr@canterbury.ac.uk quoting the appropriate reference. No agencies.

Closing date: 6 July 2007.

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JOB TITLE:
Administration Assistant
LOCATION:
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SALARY:
£13,619 - £15,444 pro rata
COMPANY:
Laleham Gap School
Needed to provide support to therapists and outreach staff 25 hours per week term-time only. We are looking for someone to provide clerical support to the Speech and Language Therapy, Occupational Therapy and School Outreach staff. Duties will include word processing, filing, photocopying, answering telephone and email queries and assisting with resource making. You will need to have previous secretarial experience (RSA II or equivalent), with up-to-date knowledge of word processing packages and good interpersonal skills. Laleham Gap caters for pupils from 3-16 and is the county's leading provision for pupils with speech, language and communication difficulties. The school is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of the young people in its care and all posts are subject to an enhanced CRB disclosure. Please send an A4 SAE (with 48p stamp) for an application pack to Debbie Terziyski, Laleham Gap School, Northdown Park Road, Margate CT9 2TP.
TO APPLY:
Debbie Terziyski
Laleham Gap School
Email Debbie.terziyski@laleham-gap.kent.sch.uk
CLOSING DATE
4 July 2007

JOB TITLE:
Administration Assistant
LOCATION:
Dover
SALARY:
£13,222 - £15,440 (pro rata)
COMPANY:
Harbour School
Kent Scheme, Brand 3, Points 6 - 11. 25hrs per week (term time plus 3 weeks). The governors are seeking to appoint an Administration Assistant who is enthusiastic, efficient, self motivated and capable of using their own initiative to support the existing team in the school office. The successful applicant will have a good general knowledge of Microsoft Office applications and have previous administrative and receptionist experience not necessarily gained in a school environment. For more information on any of the positions and an application pack, please contact the school. Interview: Friday 13th July 2007
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Harbour School
Email office@harbour.kent.sch.uk
CLOSING DATE
6th July 2007

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LOCATION:
Dartford
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Cook
LOCATION:
Deal
SALARY:
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COMPANY:
Milestone House
Cook required for a small residential home in Deal to work 30hrs per week. Experienced cook with cheerful disposition required to join friendly team in small specialist residential care home. The successful applicant will be responsible for menu planning, cooking, stock control, ordering, shopping, and maintaining the hygiene of the kitchen and food storage areas. Must have Food Hygiene Certificate. A CRB check will be required. Hours 8am to 2pm (negotiable). Competitive rates of pay (depending on experience).
TO APPLY:
Lesley Stapleton
Milestone House
Tel: 01304 381201
Email milestonehouse@aol.com

JOB TITLE:
Junior Chef
LOCATION:
Ashford
SALARY:
start rate £5.77 ph + benefits
COMPANY:
Holiday Inn Ashford North
This role is an exciting position for someone looking to pursue a career in the Catering Industry. Working as part of a team you will be responsible for ensuring food to the highest quality and presentation is prepared for the guests. Our House menu has proved very popular so the ideal candidate must be able to work under pressure and within strict timescales. The hours of work will predominately be between 3pm - 11pm, 5 days out of 7 however full flexibility in the kitchen is required with covering breakfast shifts. Having a food qualification would be an advantage but not a neccesity as full training would be provided. NVQ training will be provided to the right candidate.
TO APPLY:
Jo stockbridge
Holiday Inn Ashford North
Tel: 01233 713333
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joanne.stockbridge@hiashford.com

JOB TITLE:
Restaurant Supervisor
LOCATION:
Ashford
SALARY:
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COMPANY:
Holiday Inn Ashford North
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TO APPLY:
Joanne Stockbridge
Holiday Inn Ashford North
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Do you have great customer service skills? Do you have a desire to learn more about fresh, authentic Italian food and wine? We are looking for enthusiastic people to join our existing team and we would like to share our passion and knowledge with you! Experience is not essential as training will be provided, but all applicants must be over 18. To apply please forward your CV.
TO APPLY:
Sam
Carluccios Ltd
Email SamC@carluccios.com

CHILD CARE

JOB TITLE:
3 x Nursery Practitioners required for Mondays
LOCATION:
Thanet
SALARY:
TBA
COMPANY:
Thanet Early Years Project
Thanet Early Years Project 3 Nursery Practitioners required for Mondays at Smarties Childcare Centre, Playful Penguins and Newington Road Childcare Centre. These three fixed term positions are to start immediately, to cover term time only on Mondays and it is anticipated will to continue until December 2008. We are looking to cover the hours as follows: Smarties – 8am – 4 pm Penguins – 9am – 3 pm Newington – 9am – 3pm MONDAYS - TERM TIME ONLY You will need to be qualified to at least level two in childcare, have a sound knowledge of child development and safeguarding children/child protection, be enthusiastic, motivated, reliable, a good team player and possess a good sense of humour. To find out more about the roles advertised, you may contact the setting managers: Kim – Smarties 600110 Cheryl – Penguins 231687 Emma – Newington 599910 To apply for any of these fixed term posts, you will need to complete our application form, which is available from Maria at Head Office. You can contact her on 01843 591200 or email her on maria@thanetearlyyears.org – please state which role you are interested in. Closing date: 6th July 2007 All appointments are subject to full enhanced Criminal Records Bureau checks.
TO APPLY:
Maria Knight
Thanet Early Years Project
Tel: 01843 591200
Email maria@thanetearlyyears.org
CLOSING DATE
Up to December 2008

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JOB TITLE:
Flexible Childcare Staff for Thanet Early Years
LOCATION:
Ramsgate
SALARY:
tba
COMPANY:
Thanet Early Years Project
Thanet Early Years Project Flexible Bank Staff in the Thanet area Are you looking for flexible work in childcare? During school hours or after? Thanet Early Years would like to increase its bank of flexible childcare staff who would be able to step in, often at the last moment, at a variety of settings throughout Thanet. You could be asked to work at an After School Club, cover a session in a pre-school or nursery – hours will be determined by the role to be covered. We run childcare provision at venues throughout Thanet and if you are qualified to a minimum of level 2 or equivalent, we would like to hear from you. We would also welcome applications from Level 3 or equivalent qualified childcare workers. You will need to be experienced in working in a childcare environment, be enthusiastic, motivated, a good team player and possess a good sense of humour. Most of all, you would need to be flexible and willing to consider all patterns of working. We cannot guarantee that you will have regular hours, but if you are looking for work with children that could fit around your commitments, this may be just the job for you. If you would like to discuss any aspects of the job with the Crèche Manager, who will be able to give you more details of what would be required, please contact Sharon on 07971177737. To apply, please contact Maria on 01843 591200 for an application form and job description, or email her on maria@thanetearlyyears.org. We look forward to hearing from you. All appointments are subject to full enhanced Criminal Records Bureau checks.
TO APPLY:
Maria Knight
Thanet Early Years Project
Tel: 01843 591200
Email maria@thanetearlyyears.org

JOB TITLE:
Junior Crew Leaders
LOCATION:
Dover
SALARY:
TBA
COMPANY:
Live Business Grosvenor Productions
Required for Dover to Calais crossings 23rd July to 2nd September inclusive, 5 day week which includes weekends. Some childcare experience necessary. You will be running fun activities for children aged 5 & 12. Successful candidates will be subject to a CRB disclosure. Please send your CV to Rachel Neary, 6 Square Rigger Row, Plantation Wharf, London, SW11 3TZ
TO APPLY:
Rachel Neary
Live Business Grosvenor Productions
Tel: 0207 228 4852
Email rneary@livebusiness.co.uk

JOB TITLE:
Temporary Nursery Practitioner, Smarties Childcare Centre
LOCATION:
Broadstairs
SALARY:
TBA
COMPANY:
Thanet Early Years Project
Thanet Early Years Project Temporary Nursery Practitioner required for Smarties Childcare Centre, Thanet College Campus, Broadstairs. This temporary position is to start immediately, initially to cover term time only staff sick leave until the 25th July 2007; the hours would be 9.00 – 3.00 Monday to Friday. From 3rd September 2007, the post would cover the maternity leave of the current post holder and would therefore be temporary up to approximately May 2008. The hours required during this period would be 8.30 am until 1.00 pm Monday to Friday term time only. There may be the opportunity of flexible hours working at the Holiday Club during the summer holidays. You will need to be qualified to level three in childcare, have a sound knowledge of child development and safeguarding children/child protection, be enthusiastic, motivated, a good team player and possess a good sense of humour. If you would like to discuss the position with the Manager, who will be able to give you more details of duties, working pattern etc, please contact Kim on 01843 600110 To apply for this temporary post, you will need to complete our application form, which is available from Maria at Head Office. You can contact her on 01843 591200 or email her on maria@thanetearlyyears.org. All appointments are subject to full enhanced Criminal Records Bureau checks.
TO APPLY:
Maria Knight
Thanet Early Years Project
Tel: 01843 591200
Email maria@thanetearlyyears.org
CLOSING DATE
End of current post holders maternity leave

CONSTRUCTION, ARCHITECTURE, SURVEYORS

JOB TITLE:
Site Agents and Works Manager/Estimator
LOCATION:
Ashford
SALARY:
TBA
COMPANY:
GSE Group
Due to the continued expansion of Ashford based GSE Group, GSE Design & Build require the following: Site Agents required for projects in Kent for both traditional and Design & Build contracts. Works Manager/Estimator required with proven track record to develop Minor Works Divisioin. Good remuneration package for the right candidates. Please contact: karen.burton at GSE Design & Build, Joshna House, Crowbridge Road, Orbital Park, Ashford, Kent, TN24 0GR or call 01233 501301 for Application Form. The GSE Group is an Equal Opportunities Employer
TO APPLY:
Karen Burton
GSE Group
Tel: 01233 501301
Email karen.burton@gse-group.com
CLOSING DATE
25th June 2007

CUSTOMER SERVICE, CALL CENTRE

JOB TITLE:
Systems Consultant
LOCATION:
Folkestone
SALARY:
Competitive salary + benefits
COMPANY:
Saga
The Saga Group provides products and services for today's fast-growing over 50s market. We are looking to recruit a development professional to join an exciting new initiative within Saga Group Limited. Our website is one of the fastest growing areas of our business and is constantly being developed to meet the needs of our customer base and our product suite. Analysing business needs, you'll take overall responsibility for delivering web-based systems solutions – adding value to the process of establishing new business functionality and online customer service. At the same time, you'll validate and verify software developments to ensure compliance with technical, commercial and user requirements. We're looking for a strong communicator and team player with a proven knowledge of core analysis and database technologies such as Oracle, SQL Server and MySQL, as well as eCommerce, content management, web security and search optimisation tools. To this end, you'll be able to add expertise in internet development and productivity tools such as ASP, .Net, PHP, JavaScript and AJAX, as well as testing in all lifecycle stages. You must be able to work to demanding, and constantly evolving schedules and deadlines. An awareness of WEB 2.0 and its impacts would be advantageous. The rewards and benefits will fully reflect the key role you'll play in our future. Are you ready for the challenge? If so, please write enclosing your CV to Jo Forbes, HR Officer, Saga Group Ltd, The Saga Building, Enbrook Park, Folkestone, Kent CT20 3SE.
TO APPLY:
Saga
Email human.resources@saga.co.uk
CLOSING DATE
4 July 2007

JOB TITLE:
Biology Technician
LOCATION:
Ashford
SALARY:
£15,440 - £16,221 p.a. paid pro rata
COMPANY:
Norton Knatchbull School
The Norton Knatchbull School,Hythe Road, Ashford, Kent, TN24 OQJ Tel: 01233 620045 Fax: 01233 633668 Email: applications@norton-knatchbull.kent.sch.uk Selective boys' grammar school. Girls admitted to 'A' level and IB Sixth Form. Number on Roll: 1023 (289 in 6th Form) Required, Sept. 2007, Biology Technician 37 h.p.w. term time only, Kent Scheme Grade 4, (£15,440 - £16,221 p.a. for a full time post) paid pro rata, for a suitably qualified and experienced candidate. Candidates with scientific background and/or experience in educational institution preferred. Excellent interpersonal skills essential. For full details and application form, contact Mrs. S. Butcher, Head's P.A. Deadline for receipt of applications Friday 29th June.
TO APPLY:
Mrs. S. Butcher
Norton Knatchbull School
Tel: 01233 620045
Email susan.butcher@norton-knatchbull.kent.sch.uk
CLOSING DATE
29th June 2007

JOB TITLE:
Catering Lecturer
LOCATION:
Rochester
SALARY:
c.£24,000 pa (pro rata)
COMPANY:
CfBT Education Trust
Want to make a REAL difference to young lives? Sir Evelyn House Juvenile Unit, Rochester. 14.8 hours/wk. The Sir Evelyn House Under 18 Unit provides custodial places for up to seventeen young women aged 17-18. CfBT Education Trust provides the onsite education service under contract to the South East Learning & Skills Council and works closely with the Unit Governor and his specialist team to create a holistic approach to helping these very troubled young women reintegrate into society. As an experienced and qualified Lecturer, who wants to help troubled young women, you have to see beyond their behaviour and find ways to connect with them and teach them. You will have a relevant teaching qualification, such as QTS, Cert Ed, C&G 7307/7407, and knowledge of the Adult Core Curriculum. In addition, C&G 7061/2, D32, D33, D34 and a qualification in Basic Food Hygiene are desirable. All appointments are subject to an Enhanced Disclosure from the Criminal Records Bureau and necessary prison security checks. CfBT offers 28 days' annual leave, a non-contributory Group Personal Pension and excellent development opportunities. Assistance with the costs of relocating to Kent may be available in approved cases. For further details and an application pack, please contact our 24-hour recruitment line on 0118 902 1901 or email: recruitment@cfbt.com Please quote reference COO010.
TO APPLY:
CfBT Education Trust
Tel: 0118 902 1901
Email recruitment@cfbt.com
CLOSING DATE
10am, 6th July 2007

JOB TITLE:
Corridor Patrol Assistant x2
LOCATION:
Margate
SALARY:
Kent Scheme Points 7-11 (£13,619-£15,440 pro rata)
COMPANY:
Hartsdown Technology College
30 hours per week – 39 weeks per year We require two Corridor Patrol Assistants to patrol the corridors during the college day. Duties will include, ensuring that students arrive to their lessons on time and escort students that are on internal referral to the correct classroom. Corridor Patrol Assistants are issued with walkie talkies and are part of our inclusion team at Hartsdown.
TO APPLY:
Hartsdown Technology College
Tel: 01843 227957
Email
principal@hartsdown.kent.sch.uk
CLOSING DATE
25th June 2007

JOB TITLE:
Deputy Headteacher
LOCATION:
Rochester
SALARY:
L4 – L8 £36,705 - £40,512 (pay award pending)
COMPANY:
Cuxton Community Junior School
Full Time and permanent
TO APPLY:
Miss T Terry
Cuxton Community Junior School
Tel: 01634 718532
Email headteacher
@cuxtonjnr.medway.sch.uk
CLOSING DATE
2 July 2007

JOB TITLE:
Director Of Sport
LOCATION:
Ramsgate
SALARY:
MPG + TLR 1 (£8,405 p.a.)
COMPANY:
King Ethelbert School
Our brand new 6 court sports complex will open November 2007. Relocation package negotiable. We require:
• a capable qualified and dynamic practitioner to further lead and develop sports provision throughout the school
• a professional with a passion for enabling young people to achieve high standards
• a commitment to working creatively with others in promoting exciting learning throughout the secondary curriculum We offer:
• full induction into the work and ethos of the school
• a middle leadership development programme providing a secure foundation for career enhancement
• many diverse young people with much enthusiasm for learning sport!
TO APPLY:
Sally Slade
King Ethelbert School
Tel: 01843 831999
Email
personnel@kingethelbert.kent.sch.uk
Closing Date
26th June 2007

JOB TITLE:
Early Childhood Education Partner (Birth-3)
LOCATION:
Kent
SALARY:
£29,190 - £34,500 per annum pro rata
COMPANY:
Kent County Council
1 x 37 hours or 2 x 18.5 hours per week Canterbury/Swale and Ashford/Shepway Advisory Service Kent (ASK) is seeking to appoint an Early Childhood Education Partner (Birth-3), to work across the Canterbury/Swale areas and Ashford/Shepway, full time, or two part-time postholders, each covering a double area. We are looking for excellent practitioner(s) who will work as part of an area team in: Providing guidance to early years and childcare providers and settings in supporting their own processes of self-review to raise standards Delivering training that meets the needs of practitioners as well as the targets for the Local Authority Contributing to the improvement of provision and standards in the region. Challenging and supporting settings in achieving improved OFSTED outcomes and/or accreditation through the Kent Quality Standards Scheme. This is an exciting role, which offers excellent professional development opportunities. Travel costs will be met and the ability to travel across a wide geographical area at short notice is essential. The post is subject to an Enhanced Disclosure Application to the Criminal Records Bureau.
TO APPLY:
Colleen Marin
Kent County Council
Tel: 01233 898722.
Email recruitment.line@kent.gov.uk
CLOSING DATE
29 June 2007

JOB TITLE:
EDB Tutor
LOCATION:
Ashford
SALARY:
From £14,028- 17,842 p.a. pro-rata
COMPANY:
Marlowe Academy
Teach EDB students in small groups. The successful individual will require experience in EDB. Successful applicants will undergo a CRB. Please send a copy of your CV & covering letter to A. Mulvihill, indicate Ref. No. of the position.
TO APPLY:
A. Mulvihill,
Marlowe Academy
Email applications@kosmedia.co.uk
CLOSING DATE
2nd July 2007

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JOB TITLE:
EFL Teachers
LOCATION:
Ramsgate
SALARY:
Dependent on experience
COMPANY:
Churchill House School of English
EFL Teachers wanted for Churchill House School in Ramsgate from July 2nd. Accommodation provided if needed.
TO APPLY:
John Flood
Churchill House School of English
Tel: 01843 593630
Email john@churchillhouse.co.uk
CLOSING DATE
30 August 2007

JOB TITLE:
English Teacher
LOCATION:
Gillingham
SALARY:
MPS + SEN allowance + TLR2c
COMPANY:
Rivermead
Full time and permanent
TO APPLY:
Mrs S Rogers
Rivermead Tel: 01634 338348
Email office@rivermead.medway.sch.uk
CLOSING DATE
29 June 2007

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JOB TITLE:
Head Of Mathematics
LOCATION:
Ramsgate
SALARY:
MPG + TLR 1 (£8,405 p.a.)
COMPANY:
King Ethelbert School
King Ethelbert School is situated on the East Kent coast 15 miles from the city of Canterbury. Relocation package negotiable. We require: • a capable qualified and dynamic practitioner to further lead and develop mathematics throughout the school • a professional with a passion for enabling young people to achieve high standards • a commitment to working creatively with others in promoting exciting learning throughout the secondary curriculum We offer: • full induction into the work and ethos of the school • a middle leadership development programme providing a secure foundation for career enhancement • diverse young people with enthusiasm for learning mathematics
TO APPLY:
Sally Slade
King Ethelbert School
Tel: 01843 831999
Email
personnel@kingethelbert.kent.sch.uk
Closing Date
Tuesday 26th June 2007

JOB TITLE:
Houseparents
LOCATION:
Broadstairs
SALARY:
£18,450 - £20,895 pro rata - Various hours available – Term time only
COMPANY:
Bradstow School
Bradstow is a fascinating and different residential school for children between the ages of 5 & 19, set in 13 acres of parkland just a few hundred metres from the sandy beaches of Broadstairs. We seek to meet the needs of children with autism, severe learning difficulties and challenging behaviour and have achieved national recognition for our developments in Communication and Behaviour Management. Please call for an application form and information pack Please note that CV's will not be considered.
TO APPLY:
Bradstow School
Tel: 01843 862123
Email personne
l@bradstow.wandsworth.sch.uk
CLOSING DATE
Wednesday 27th June 2007

JOB TITLE:
I T Systems Manager
LOCATION:
Margate
SALARY:
Kent Scheme Scale 10 Point 33 - £29,190
COMPANY:
Hartsdown Technology College
Required to maintain our ever-expanding college network of 600 plus computers. The successful candidate will have relevant qualifications and experience of running a Windows network, SQL and managing other IT support staff.
TO APPLY:
Hartsdown Technology College
Tel: 01843 227957
Email
principal@hartsdown.kent.sch.uk
CLOSING DATE
25th June 2007

JOB TITLE:
ICT Teacher
LOCATION:
Chatham
SALARY:
Main Scale
COMPANY:
St John Fisher Catholic Comprehensive School
Full or Part Time and Permanent
TO APPLY:
Mrs J P Morris
St John Fisher Catholic
Comprehensive School
Tel: 01634 842811
Email office@st-
johnfisher.medway.sch.uk
CLOSING DATE
25 June 2007

JOB TITLE:
Individual Support Workers (Care)
LOCATION:
Broadstairs
SALARY:
£12,372 pro rata - 36.5 hours per week – Term time only
COMPANY:
Bradstow School
Working as part of the childcare team, these roles involve providing care and support to students mornings, evenings and weekends. Bradstow is a fascinating and different residential school for children between the ages of 5 & 19, set in 13 acres of parkland just a few hundred metres from the sandy beaches of Broadstairs. We seek to meet the needs of children with autism, severe learning difficulties and challenging behaviour and have achieved national recognition for our developments in Communication and Behaviour Management. Please call for an application form and information pack. Please note that CV's will not be considered.
TO APPLY:
Bradstow School
Tel: 01843 862123
Email personne
l@bradstow.wandsworth.sch.uk
CLOSING DATE
Wednesday 27th June 2007

JOB TITLE:
Kent School Sport Manager / Kent Sports Development Officer
LOCATION:
Kings Hill
SALARY:
£29,190 - £34,500 + Lease Car
COMPANY:
Kent County Council
Two exciting opportunities have arisen for motivated and innovative individuals to join the Kent Sports Development Unit. We are looking for committed people with the capacity to work with, influence and motivate, a range of partners and agencies. You will have excellent communication, organisation, presentation, decision-making and negotiation skills. In addition you will have relevant experience and knowledge, partnership working skills, and the ability to work independently as well as within a team. The Kent School Sport Manager will lead on the Unit's work supporting the network of Sports Colleges and School Sport Partnerships to link with relevant agencies, such as National Governing Bodies and local authorities, in order to provide a range of opportunities for young people. The Kent Sports Development Officer will lead the Unit's work on developing and supporting sports performance and excellence, and in developing our work on participation with particular focus on equalities and links with health. If you feel you are up for the challenge, have the necessary experience and skills and want to work in a friendly, busy and professional team, then we would like to hear from you. Due to the nature of these posts and the opportunity to influence others working with young people and vulnerable adults, you will be required to undergo a Disclosure Check through the Criminal Records Bureau.
TO APPLY:
Kent County Council
Email recruitment.line@kent.gov.uk
CLOSING DATE
2 July 2007

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JOB TITLE:
Key stage 1 and 2 Teacher
LOCATION:
Rainham
SALARY:
TBA
COMPANY:
Miers Court Primary School
Full Time and Permanent
TO APPLY:
Mrs S Patterson
Miers Court Primary School
Tel: 01634 388943
Email enquiries
@mierscourt.medway.sch.uk
CLOSING DATE
30 June 2007

JOB TITLE:
Key stage 2 Teacher
LOCATION:
Rochester
SALARY:
TBA
COMPANY:
Cuxton Community Junior School
Full Time and fixed term contract Term of contract: 1 September 2007 - 31st December 2007
TO APPLY:
Miss T Terry
Cuxton Community Junior School
Tel: 01634 718532
Email headteacher
@cuxtonjnr.medway.sch.uk
CLOSING DATE
25 June 2007

JOB TITLE:
Learning Mentors
LOCATION:
Ashford
SALARY:
From £14,028- 17,842 p.a. pro-rata
COMPANY:
Marlowe Academy
Support students in lessons and individual study. Literacy & Numeracy at minimum level 2. Successful applicants will undergo a CRB. Please send a copy of your CV & covering letter to A. Mulvihill, indicate Ref. No. of the position.
TO APPLY:
A. Mulvihill
Marlowe Academy
Email applications@kosmedia.co.uk
CLOSING DATE
2nd July 2007

JOB TITLE:
Mathematics Teacher
LOCATION:
Gillingham
SALARY:
MPS + SEN allowance + TLR2c
COMPANY:
Rivermead
Full time and permanent
TO APPLY:
Mrs S Rogers
Rivermead
Tel: 01634 338348
Email
office@rivermead.medway.sch.uk
CLOSING DATE
29 June 2007

JOB TITLE:
Part Time Religious Education Teacher
LOCATION:
Chatham
SALARY:
Main Scale
COMPANY:
St John Fisher Catholic Comprehensive School
Part Time and Permanent
TO APPLY:
Mrs J P Morris
St John Fisher Catholic
Comprehensive School
Tel: 01634 842811
Email office@st-
johnfisher.medway.sch.uk
CLOSING DATE
25 June 2007

JOB TITLE:
Part-time (Sessional) Tutors
LOCATION:
Medway
SALARY:
LNFA Scale point 1–3, £16,712 – £18,880 pro-rata.
COMPANY:
Medway Council
Daytime and/or evening hours are available for courses starting in September. Medway Adult Learning Service has jobs available for part-time tutors teaching the following subjects: Pilates; fit ball core conditioning; exercise; yoga for pregnancy. Business studies to AS level; Sage Payroll; management and team leading; office procedures; theology; information, advice and guidance. C&G 9297 level 2 certificate in learning support; course leader for Trinity Cert TESOL. Problem solving and decision-making; self-organising; return to work; personal action planning; assertiveness; positive mental attitude. Skills for life literacy and numeracy. Reflexology. British Sign Language to level 2; lip reading. Calligraphy. AutoCad; digital photography; web design (knowledge of Dreamweaver). Qualified assessors with certificates in D32/33/34 A/V units. Chinese Mandarin; German; Italian; Japanese; Portuguese; Spanish; Turkish; Greek. Family learning; crafts; first aid; parenting; pottery; languages; fitness; cookery. All applicants should hold a suitable teaching qualification or be willing to undertake training. A specific qualification in the subject to be taught would be an advantage. Any offer of appointment will be subject to an enhanced criminal records bureau disclosure.
TO APPLY:
Vanessa Williams
Medway Council
Tel: 01634 338450
Email jobs@medway.gov.uk
CLOSING DATE
6 July 2007

JOB TITLE:
Personnel Team Assistant
LOCATION:
Kings Hill
SALARY:
£16,220 - £17,840 per annum
COMPANY:
Kent County Council
Full or part-time (salary for part-time posts will be pro rata) Kings Hill The Schools' Personnel Service provides a comprehensive personnel service to schools across Kent. We are looking to recruit a Personnel Team Assistant to join our busy, hardworking team producing contracts of employment, liaising with schools' payroll providers, as well as giving advice and support to Headteachers and Governing Bodies. You should have good keyboard skills, the ability to quickly learn new systems, good communication skills and be able to prioritise and effectively manage your workload whilst keeping to strict deadlines. Personnel experience would be an advantage but is not essential, as full training will be provided. Please indicate on your application form if you are interested in a part time position. Part-time hours of five mornings per week or five afternoons per week will be considered.
TO APPLY:
Shirley Monk
Kent County Council
Tel: 01732 525241.
Email recruitment.line@kent.gov.uk
CLOSING DATE
3 July 2007

JOB TITLE:
Project Leader
LOCATION:
Folkestone
SALARY:
£13,930 - £22,040
COMPANY:
Kent County Council
Adolescent Resource Centre 25, Folkestone The Adolescent Resource Centre concept is well established in other areas of Kent. The Folkestone 'ARC 25' builds on the existing models of innovative multi-agency alternative curriculum projects for disengaged and disaffected KS4 young people, providing broad professional support from a range of agencies and an exciting working environment. Committed to high quality and genuinely imaginative education, focused on the needs of young people, ARC 25 in Folkestone is looking for committed education staff to join a team working from other agencies, including Social Services, Youth & Community, Connexions, Youth Offending Service and Health. You will have to provide evidence of commitment to the welfare of, and effective working with, vulnerable, disengaged KS4 students and have a proven commitment to multi-agency team working and curriculum innovation. This post is subject to an Enhanced Disclosure Application to the Criminal Records Bureau.
TO APPLY:
Deborah Birks
Kent County Council
Tel: 07919 535639.
Email recruitment.line@kent.gov.uk
CLOSING DATE
29 June 2007

JOB TITLE:
Qualified Supply Teachers
LOCATION:
Rochester
SALARY:
Paid to scale
COMPANY:
Medway Council
Term of contract: long, short and fixed term (no daily supply)
TO APPLY:
Elaine Hunt
Medway Council
Tel: 01634 332469
Email teaching@medway.gov.uk

JOB TITLE:
Qualified Teacher of Maths
LOCATION:
Maidstone
SALARY:
Main Pay Scale
COMPANY:
South Maidstone Federation
New Line Learning Cornwallis are looking to appoint a part-time qualified maths teacher to teach 11-18 mixed ability students from September 2007. Interested applicants should down load an application form from www.newlinelearning.com
TO APPLY:
Charlotte Grindley
South Maidstone Federation
Email charlotte.grindley
@newlinelearning.com

JOB TITLE:
Senior Early Childhood Education Partner
LOCATION:
Maidstone
SALARY:
£34,500 - £39,710 per annum
COMPANY:
Kent County Council
Following promotions, Advisory Service Kent (ASK) Early Years andChildcare Unit is seeking to appoint a Senior Early Childhood EducationPartner to lead an area-based team in Dartford and Gravesham. As an excellent practitioner, you will be responsible for: Leading the work of a team which provides advice, guidance, support and quality assurance to early years and childcare providers and settings The provision of training in the area to meet the needs of both settings and practitioners and Local Authority targets Monitoring the quality of provision in education and childcare in the early years Challenging and supporting providers and settings in achieving improved OFSTED outcomes, accreditation through the Kent Quality Standards Scheme as well as high quality out of school provision Taking a county lead responsibility for Inclusion and Equality in Early Years (including SEN, AEN and vulnerable groups) ensuring consistency across the county. Working as part of our great team offers excellent professional development opportunities. Travel costs will be met and the ability to travel across a wide geographical area at short notice is essential. The post is subject to an Enhanced Disclosure Application to the Criminal Records Bureau.
TO APPLY:
Colleen Marin
Kent County Council
Tel: 01233 898722
Email recruitment.line@kent.gov.uk
CLOSING DATE
29 June 2007

JOB TITLE:
Senior Learning Mentor
LOCATION:
Ashford
SALARY:
£19,572 p.a., paid pro rata
COMPANY:
Norton Knatchbull School
The Norton Knatchbull School, Ashford, Kent TN24 0QJ. Tel: 01233 620045, Fax: 01233 633668. Selective boys' grammar school. Girls admitted to 'A' level and IB Sixth Form. Number on Roll: 1023 (289 in 6th Form) Required, Sept. 2007, Senior Learning Mentor, term time only, 25 hours per week, Kent Scheme Grade 7, point 20 (£19,572 p.a. for a full time post) paid pro rata. The basic role is to address the barriers to learning that some students experience. Tasks include supervision and training of Learning Mentor(s), one to one mentoring, group work, guidance, liaison with parents and colleagues. Excellent interpersonal skills essential. For full details and application form, contact Mrs. S. Butcher, Head's P.A. Deadline for return of applications 8.45 a.m. Tuesday 26th June.
TO APPLY:
Mrs. S. Butcher
Norton Knatchbull School
Tel: 01233 620045
Email susan.butcher@norton-
knatchbull.kent.sch.uk
Closing Date
26th June 2007

JOB TITLE:
Senior Nursery Nurse
LOCATION:
Maidstone
SALARY:
tba
COMPANY:
Nursery St Peters
To manage our Birth - 18month olds. requires experienced, qualified (NVQ level 3 or equivalent) Mature applicants welcome. 2 years experience in a supervisory role preferable.
TO APPLY:
Alison
Nursery St Peters
Tel: 01622 687878
Email applications@kosmedia.co.uk

JOB TITLE:
Student Support
LOCATION:
Ramsgate
SALARY:
Applications are invited for the post(s) ofrom £14,028-17,842 p.a. pro-rata
COMPANY:
Marlowe Academy
We are looking for enthusiastic staff to join our dynamic Support Team. Successful applicants will undergo a CRB. Please send a copy of your CV & covering letter to A. Mulvihill, indicate Ref. No. of the position.
TO APPLY:
A. Mulvihill
Marlowe Academy
Email applications@kosmedia.co.uk
CLOSING DATE
2nd July 2007

JOB TITLE:
Teach English at Home
LOCATION:
Maidstone
SALARY:
TBA
COMPANY:
International Language Homestays
Could you host and teach one or two students (junior or adult). High standard of accommodation required. Teaching materials, full support and workshop provided. For further information call our Kent organiser.
TO APPLY:
International Language Homestays
Tel: 01227 722882
Email info@ilh.com

JOB TITLE:
Teacher of Business Studies
LOCATION:
Aylesford
SALARY:
MPS
COMPANY:
Aylesford School - Sports College
Teacher of ICT/Technology Main Scale Aylesford School – Sports College is an innovative forward looking Specialist Sports College. We have a strong community ethos where we put the learner at the heart of everything we do. At Aylesford School – Sports College we can offer you:- A brand new school. Outstanding new facilities in all areas. NQT/ New staff induction package that is second to none. A highly regarded CPD programme with personal professional pathways. A buzzing and vibrant staff who are friendly and keen to help one another.. A forward looking curriculum with individualised pathways for students. We are looking for a committed professional who:- Is able to start in September. Can motivate pupils through the curriculum. Has the desire to make the difference. Is focussed on developing their career further. Is able to teach Business Studies at key stage 3, 4 and beyond.
TO APPLY:
Jill McKenna
Aylesford School - Sports College
Tel: 01622 664241
Email
jill.mckenna@aylesford.kent.sch.uk
CLOSING DATE
26th June 2007

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JOB TITLE:
Teacher Of Drama
LOCATION:
Folkestone
SALARY:
TBA
COMPANY:
Pent Vally Tech
Applications are welcome from both newly qualified and experienced teachers. A TLR is available to a suitable candidate with relevant expertise and experience.
TO APPLY:
Jackie Brinkhurst
Pent Vally Tech
Tel: 01303 277161
Email Jackie.brinkhurst@pent-
valley.kent.sch.uk
CLOSING DATE
Monday 2nd July 2007

JOB TITLE:
Teacher of English MPS
LOCATION:
Chatham
SALARY:
TBA
COMPANY:
Medway Community College
Do you have a passion for teaching and believe that every child can be a success? Do you want an opportunity to join a school developing a wide range of innovative courses to match students' needs? Medway community College is a non-selective high school offering excellent opportunities for enthusiastic and ambitious applicants to contribute to our continuing development. Following a staff and curriculum restructure we are currently seeking highly motivated staff at various career levels with the vision and commitment to build on current successes and continue our development.
TO APPLY:
Mrs S Stunell
Medway Community College
Tel: 01634 829011
Email stuns001@medway.org.uk

JOB TITLE:
Teacher of Geography
LOCATION:
Chatham
SALARY:
MPS
COMPANY:
Medway Community College
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Mrs S Stunell
Medway Community College
Tel: 01634 829011
Email stuns001@medway.org.uk

JOB TITLE:
Teacher of ICT
LOCATION:
Chatham
SALARY:
MPS
COMPANY:
Medway Community College
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TO APPLY:
Mrs S Stunell
Medway Community College
Tel: 01634 829011
Email stuns001@medway.org.uk

JOB TITLE:
Teacher of ICT/Technology
LOCATION:
Aylesford
SALARY:
MPS
COMPANY:
Aylesford School - Sports College
Teacher of ICT/Technology Main Scale Aylesford School – Sports College is an innovative forward looking Specialist Sports College. We have a strong community ethos where we put the learner at the heart of everything we do. At Aylesford School – Sports College we can offer you:- A brand new school. Outstanding new facilities in all areas. NQT/ New staff induction package that is second to none. A highly regarded CPD programme with personal professional pathways. A buzzing and vibrant staff who are friendly and keen to help one another.. A forward looking curriculum with individualised pathways for students. We are looking for a committed professional who:- Is able to start in September. Can motivate pupils through the curriculum. Has the desire to make the difference. Is focussed on developing their career further. Is able to teach ICT/Technology at key stage 3, 4 and beyond.
TO APPLY:
Jill McKenna
Aylesford School - Sports College
Tel: 01622 717341
Email
jill.mckenna@aylesford.kent.sch.uk
CLOSING DATE
26th June 2007

JOB TITLE:
Teacher Of Mathematics
LOCATION:
Folkestone
SALARY:
TBA
COMPANY:
Pent Vally Tech
Applications are welcome from both newly qualified and experienced teachers. A TLR is available to a suitable candidate with relevant expertise and experience.
TO APPLY:
Jackie Brinkhurst
Pent Vally Tech
Tel: 01303 277161
Email Jackie.brinkhurst@pent-
valley.kent.sch.uk
CLOSING DATE
Monday 2nd July 2007

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JOB TITLE:
Teacher Of Music
LOCATION:
Folkestone
SALARY:
TBA
COMPANY:
Pent Vally Tech
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TO APPLY:
Jackie Brinkhurst
Pent Vally Tech
Tel: 01303 277161
Email Jackie.brinkhurst@pent-valley.kent.sch.uk
CLOSING DATE
Monday 2nd July 2007

JOB TITLE:
Teacher of PE/Dance
LOCATION:
Aylesford
SALARY:
Main scale
COMPANY:
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TO APPLY:
Jill Mckenna
Aylesford School - Sports College
Tel: 01622 717341
Email jill.mckenna@aylesford.kent.sch.uk
CLOSING DATE
26th June 2007

JOB TITLE:
Teacher of SEN
LOCATION:
Chatham
SALARY:
MPS + 2 SEN pts
COMPANY:
Medway Community College
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TO APPLY:
Mrs S Stunell
Medway Community College
Tel: 01634 829011
Email stuns001@medway.org.uk

JOB TITLE:
Teachers Of English
LOCATION:
Folkestone
SALARY:
TBA
COMPANY:
Pent Vally Tech
Applications are welcome from both newly qualified and experienced teachers.
TO APPLY:
Jackie Brinkhurst
Pent Vally Tech
Tel: 01303 277161
Email Jackie.brinkhurst@pent-valley.kent.sch.uk
CLOSING DATE
Monday 2nd July 2007

JOB TITLE:
Teaching and Learning Development Co-ordinator
LOCATION:
Gillingham
SALARY:
MPS + SEN allowance + TLR2b
COMPANY:
Rivermead
Full time and permanent
TO APPLY:
Mrs S Rogers
Rivermead
Tel: 01634 338348
Email office@rivermead.medway.sch.uk
CLOSING DATE
29 June 2007

JOB TITLE:
Teaching Assistants
LOCATION:
Thanet
SALARY:
£13,610 - £15,440 per annum pro rata
COMPANY:
Kent County Council
Term-time only (38 weeks of the year, 35 hours per week) Thanet, Project 15. This is an innovative alternative curriculum project for disengaged and disaffected KS4 students, involving an engaging and broad curriculum and a new slant on curriculum delivery. Committed to high quality and genuinely imaginative education, the Project 15, is looking for additional Teaching Assistants to join this wellestablished, exciting venture. You will have to provide evidence of effective working with disengaged KS4 students and have a proven commitment to teaching, learning and curriculum innovation. This post is subject to an Enhanced Disclosure Application to the Criminal Records Bureau.
TO APPLY:
Nick Waters
Kent County Council
Tel: 01843 852242
Email recruitment.line@kent.gov.uk
CLOSING DATE
29 June 2007

JOB TITLE:
Team Support Workers
LOCATION:
Broadstairs
SALARY:
£13,014 pro rata – Various full and part-time hours available – Term time only
COMPANY:
Bradstow School
Bradstow is a fascinating and different residential school for children between the ages of 5 & 19, set in 13 acres of parkland just a few hundred metres from the sandy beaches of Broadstairs. We seek to meet the needs of children with autism, severe learning difficulties and challenging behaviour and have achieved national recognition for our developments in Communication and Behaviour Management. Please call for an application form and information pack, Please note that CV's will not be considered.
TO APPLY:
Bradstow School
Tel: 01843 862123
Email personnel @bradstow.wandsworth.sch.uk
CLOSING DATE
Wednesday 27th June 2007

JOB TITLE:
Tutor/Assessors – Hairdressing
LOCATION:
Kent
SALARY:
£19,570 - £22,260 per annum pro rata
COMPANY:
Kent County Council
1 x 37 hours and 2 x 15+ hours (Flexible working/Term-time only) Gillingham/Maidstone and Gillingham/Gravesend We've changed the way we work...Would you like to as well? KEY now offer the opportunity for qualified Hairdressers to either teach or assess our Hairdressing learners. Tutors will be delivering training direct from our salon in Gillingham or at a satellite centre in Gravesend to Year 10 and 11 school groups and 16+ learners. Assessors will be out and about across Kent assessing NVQ learners in their salons. Term-time Tutors will work within schools. As flexible and part-time working hours are available, you could work part-time in hairdressing and support young people to progress through their qualifications. For both roles you need to: Be a qualified hairdresser with recent hairdressing experience Be an A1 (D32/33) qualified Assessor. Have experience of training delivery – preferably with a teaching/ training qualification. For the term-time Tutor you need to: Have the experience and interest to work with students aged 14-16. For the Sessional Tutor or Assessor you need to: Be available to work a minimum of 15 hours per week – days and times to be agreed. The ability to travel is necessary and posts are subject to an Enhanced Disclosure Application to the Criminal Records Bureau.
TO APPLY:
Damian Young
Kent County Council
Tel: 01622 203602
Email key.recruitment@kent.gov.uk
CLOSING DATE
3 July 2007

ENGINEERING, MANUFACTURING, UTILITIES

JOB TITLE:
Fully Qualified Electrician
LOCATION:
Ashford
SALARY:
Competitive Package
COMPANY:
Cloake's Ltd
Required for Dynamic Expanding Company 16th Edition/2391 Qualifications. Capable of working on own initiative and able to run contract works. Experience in Commercial & Industrial type installations is key to this role.
TO APPLY:
David Cloakes
Cloake's Ltd
Tel: 01233 720970
Email david@cloakesltd.co.uk

JOB TITLE:
PATTERN MAKER
LOCATION:
Ashford
SALARY:
TBA
COMPANY:
Dial Patterns Ltd
We are currently looking to employ an experienced Pattern Maker, initially on a temporary basis. Knowledge of Foundry Pattern making practices would be an advantage. Hours of Work – 39 Hours per week: 7.30–4.00 Mon - Thurs, 7.30–3.00 Friday. Some overtime during busy periods. Hourly rate is dependent upon experience.
TO APPLY:
Mr Alan Farrow
Dial Patterns Ltd
Tel: 01233 663073
Email sales@dialpatterns.co.uk

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Plant Operatives and Experienced Labourers
LOCATION:
Gravesend
SALARY:
TBA
COMPANY:
MAP Personnel
Must hold relevant CPCS and CSCS cards.
TO APPLY:
MAP Personnel
Tel: 07834 753709
Email paula@mappersonel.co.uk

JOB TITLE:
Qualified Electrical/Mechanical Engineer
LOCATION:
Dartford
SALARY:
Salary Negotiable DOE
COMPANY:
Howard Hunt Group
Qualified Electrical/Mechanical Engineer with excellent fault finding Diagnostic Skills, qualified to 16th edition, and highly competent in mechanical engineering. Rotating shift pattern (3 shifts). Please submit your CV by Friday 29th June 2007 Sue Hinder, Human Resources, Howard Hunt Direct, Bridge House, Crossways, Dartford, DA2 6QP.
TO APPLY:
Sue Hinder
Howard Hunt Group
Tel: 01322 629 810
Email sueh@howardhuntgroup.com.
CLOSING DATE
29th June 2007

JOB TITLE:
Service Engineer
LOCATION:
N/A
SALARY:
NEGOTIABLE
COMPANY:
Ivor Thomas Amusements Ltd
To maintain all types of Amusement and gaming Equipment in the South East England Area. Company Vehicle Supplied. Current driving Licence required. Please note that only short-listed candidates will receive a reply.
TO APPLY:
Colin Miles
Ivor Thomas Amusements Ltd
Tel: 0845 061 5050
Email colin @ivor-thomas.com
CLOSING DATE
30th June 2007

JOB TITLE:
Trainee Workshop Engineer
LOCATION:
Ramsgate
SALARY:
Negotiable
COMPANY:
Ivor Thomas Amusements Ltd
Trainee Workshop Engineer. Applicants should be self motivated and able to work as part of a team or under their own initiative. To be trained in the maintenance and repair all types of Gaming in Equipment including the Following: Video gaming machines, Awp's, C/D and Digital Juke Boxes. Driving Licence is required as there are times when you may be asked to travel to site to repair Equipment. Please note that only short-listed candidates will receive a reply.
TO APPLY:
Colin Miles
Ivor Thomas Amusements Ltd
Tel: 0845 061 5050
Email Colin@ivor-thomas.com
CLOSING DATE
30th June 2007

GRADUATE, TRAINEES

JOB TITLE:
Logistics Trainee
LOCATION:
Dartford
SALARY:
Salary £13,000 per annum
COMPANY:
Howard Hunt Group
Logistics Trainee needed for busy transport office. Basic knowledge of logistics preferred, excellent keyboard skills, numeric and communications skills needed. Please submit your CV by Friday 29th June 2007 Sue Hinder, Human Resources, Howard Hunt Direct, Bridge House, Crossways, Dartford, DA2 6QP,
TO APPLY:
Sue Hinder
Howard Hunt Group
Tel: 01322 629 810
Email sueh@howardhuntgroup.com.
CLOSING DATE
29th June 2007

INDUSTRIAL, WAREHOUSE, FACTORY

JOB TITLE:
Removal Porters x 10
LOCATION:
Dartford
SALARY:
£Good.
COMPANY:
Real Recruitment Consultancy Ltd
Experience highly desirable, but not essential.
TO APPLY:
Luisa or Dave
Real Recruitment Consultancy Ltd
Tel: 0208 597 9977
Email applications@kosmedia.co.uk

INFORMATION TECH, INTERNET, TELECOMS

JOB TITLE:
Trainer
LOCATION:
Ashford
SALARY:
Starting salary c£14-19K
COMPANY:
Adastra Software Ltd
We wish to expand our existing team of 12 Adastra trainers providing Training and Configuration on our software. This is an excellent opportunity for an individual with strong training skills and a true willingness to go the extra mile for our customers. The role requires extensive travel throughout the UK and Eire. This is a demanding role which includes testing, documentation, internal and external training on our own bespoke SQL based software for which training is given. We are open-minded about qualifications and experience but good IT awareness and strong communication skills are a must. You will be enthusiastic with a passion for training, have good organisational skills and an assertive and out-going personality. The successful applicant will be equally comfortable working on their own initiative or as being part of a team. We are seeking someone who can bring new ideas and a creative approach to the role. City & Guilds 730 or Cert Ed would be an advantage. Other benefits: 5% pension contribution and fully-expensed company car (after a short probationary period). Please send your CV and covering letter to our HR department at the address below.
TO APPLY:
Adastra Software Ltd
Email rosetta.tagg@adastra.com
CLOSING DATE
6th July 2007

JOB TITLE:
User Support Technician
LOCATION:
Ashford
SALARY:
Salary DOE + Generous On Call Allowance
COMPANY:
Adastra Software Ltd
We are looking for motivated individuals with a good aptitude for technical support matched with outstanding customer service skills to join our User Support Team. The User Support Technician role at Adastra is a telephone based role providing technical support for all elements of our customers' hardware, software and networking infrastructure. Working in a busy and fast paced environment you will be responsible for investigation and diagnosis of a wide range of technical queries, including Microsoft SQL Applications support, Windows Server and Workstation diagnostics and maintenance, and Citrix and wide area network support. Experience in these areas is desirable, however appropriate internal training and development will be offered for the right candidates. The role also involves carefully structured shift and on-call work to ensure continuity of support 24 hours a day, all year round (including public holidays)
TO APPLY:
Adastra Software Ltd
Email rosetta.tagg@adastra.com
CLOSING DATE
29th June 2007

INSURANCE, BANKING, FINANCE

JOB TITLE:
Commercial Account Handler
LOCATION:
Tunbridge Wells
SALARY:
TBA
COMPANY:
Barry Grainger Insurance Ltd
To provide support to commercial clients to ensure conversion of new business, service of existing accounts and retention of renewals to achieve company income targets in accordance with company procedures and regulatory requirements. Main Tasks, Respond to enquiries from prospects, clients, brokers and underwriters received by phone, letter, e-mail or fax in a courteous and helpful manner and ensure that all information required by clients or underwriters is obtained and communicated. Complete the key task of "fact finding" to identify clients' requirements and to provide a quotation to fulfil their needs. Maintain an accurate record of the assessment of the clients' awareness of risk and insurance as well as their circumstances and objectives. Using the information gathered, determine which Insurers will provide the most competitive rates for the covers required. Obtain quotations, using quotations system, rating guides or by referring to insurers. Communicate quotations, advising the most appropriate in terms of price and cover to meet the applicant's needs. Discuss any "additional" covers to ensure that all the insurance requirements are satisfied. If the quote is accepted verbally, the jobholder will issue DMD where necessary and written confirmation, providing full details of cover, enclosing proposal(s) for completion and the "Terms of Business" document. Issue invoices and policy documents and update client records. The jobholder will share responsibility for dealing with any actions attaching to existing clients on mid-term adjustments and claims and will occasionally refer to senior colleagues. Maintain the system for raising renewals, which should be actioned 3-4 weeks before renewal date. Manage the departmental diary system and produce renewal documentation. Scrutinise new business documentation received from insurers and pass to Administration section for processing. Handle referrals from the Administration section in respect of renewals, where appropriate. Ensure that the paper files and system records are created for new business and updated following all client contacts. Liaise with accounts department to ensure that credit control rules are followed and that cash flow objectives are achieved. Chase and receive payments by cheque, credit card and direct debit for new business, renewals and policy amendments. Issue receipt documents and send renewal documents. Other duties and responsibilities as may be required by the Managing Director. Key Performance Indicators New business conversion. Renewal retention. Accuracy of Data Input. Accuracy of Documentation. Complaint handling. Maintenance of Diary. Promptness in dealing with correspondence. Promptness in returning telephone calls.
TO APPLY:
Emma Padley
Barry Grainger Insurance Ltd
Tel: 0870 1128103
Email emmapadley @barrygraingerinsurance.co.uk

JOB TITLE:
Motor Insurance Sales/Renewals Clerk
LOCATION:
Tunbridge Wells
SALARY:
£16-£18 basic plus commission £23K OTE
COMPANY:
Barry Grainger Insurance Ltd
A minimum of 18 months retail insurance experience is essential for this role. The Role To provide support to retail clients to ensure conversion of new business, service of existing accounts and retention of renewals to achieve company income targets in accordance with company procedures and regulatory requirements. Main Tasks Respond to enquiries from prospects, clients, brokers and underwriters received by phone, letter, e-mail or fax in a courteous and helpful manner and ensure that all information required by clients or underwriters is obtained and communicated. Complete the key task of "fact finding" to identify client's requirements and to provide a quotation to fulfil their needs. Using the information gathered, determine which Insurers will provide the most competitive rates for the covers required. Obtain quotations, using quotations system, rating guides or by referring to insurers. Communicate quotations, advising the most appropriate in terms of price and cover to meet the client's needs. (Generally to broke commercial and standard motor risk) Discuss any additional covers to ensure that all the insurance requirements are satisfied. If the quote is accepted verbally, the jobholder will issue a script and written confirmation, providing full details of cover, enclosing proposal(s) for completion and the "Terms of Business" document. Issue invoices and policy documents and update client records. The jobholder will share responsibility for dealing with any actions attaching to existing clients on mid-term adjustments and claims and will occasionally refer to senior colleagues. Maintain the system for raising renewals, which should be actioned at least 21 days before renewal date. Manage the departmental diary system and produce renewal documentation. Scrutinise new business documentation received from insurers and pass to Administration section for processing. Handle referrals from the Administration section in respect of renewals, where appropriate. Ensure that the paper files and system records are created for new business and updated following all client contacts. Liaise with accounts department to ensure that credit control rules are followed and that cash flow objectives are achieved. Chase and receive payments by cheque, credit card and direct debit for new business, renewals and policy amendments. Issue receipt documents and send renewal documents. Other duties and responsibilities as may be required by the Managing Director. Skills We are looking for people with excellent customer service skills who are able to work on their own initiative as well as in a team. You will be asked to variate from new business sales to renewals as the business demands so flexibility will be key. PC skills are essential as are strong communication and time management skills. We are open from 9am to 6pm, working 37.5 hr shifts per week and 1 in 4 Saturdays, so flexibility is requested. In return we can offer you competitive salary, free parking, staff discount on insurance and a contributory staff pension scheme (subject to satisfactory completion of probation period). You will also have the opportunity to be rewarded for your hard work through our employee of the month award.
TO APPLY:
Emma Padley
Barry Grainger Insurance Ltd
Tel: 0870 1128103
Email emmapadley@barrygraingerinsurance.co.uk

JOB TITLE:
Retail Administration Assistant
LOCATION:
Tunbridge Wells
SALARY:
£12,000 - £14,000
COMPANY:
Barry Grainger Insurance Ltd
This role is to provide support in all general office duties including post and telephone in accordance with the company procedures and regulatory requirements. Main Tasks Distribute incoming mail. Answer telephone and deal courteously with all callers, routing them as appropriate or taking messages. Collect and despatch outgoing mail. Produce and maintain diaries, chasing for outstanding information from insurers, brokers and clients. Maintain secure, efficient and accurate filing systems. Locate and pass files to other staff members, as requested and replace files in the system speedily. Update the computer system and produce documents when quotations are accepted. Provide accurate and efficient typing support as directed. Taking customer information for motor quotations Passing commercial/home insurance enquiries on the commercial department. Key Performance Indicators Accuracy of Data Input. Accuracy of Documentation. Dealing/processing incoming/outgoing post Maintenance of Diary. Promptness in dealing with correspondence. Promptness in returning telephone calls.
TO APPLY:
Emma Padley
Barry Grainger Insurance Ltd
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JOB TITLE:
Family Solicitor/Legal Exec
LOCATION:
Sittingbourne
SALARY:
TBA
COMPANY:
Christopher Harris
Sought for busy practice. Undertaking both Publicly Funded and Private Client work. Must have broad experience in Ancillary/Domestic Violence and Care Work and work unsupervised. CV's to: Ms J H Steadman, Christopher Harris & Company, 20 West Street, Sittingbourne, Kent ME10 1AB
TO APPLY:
Ms J H Steadman
Christopher Harris
Tel: 01795 661 521
Email applications@kosmedia.co.uk

LEISURE, TOURISM, TRAVEL

JOB TITLE:
Cash Collector
LOCATION:
N/A
SALARY:
Negotiable
COMPANY:
Ivor Thomas Amusements Ltd
Cash Collector. Collectors we need people like you to collect and account for cash from various types of amusement equipment situated in licensed and other premises, throughout the south east.

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If you have experience of cash handling or cash collecting coupled with a driving licence this could well be an ideal job for you, company vehicle provided. Previous Applicants should not apply. Please note that only short-listed candidates will receive a reply.
TO APPLY:
Colin Miles
Ivor Thomas Amusements Ltd
Tel: 0845 061 5050
Email Colin@ivor-thomas.com
CLOSING DATE
30th June 2007

JOB TITLE:
Receptionist
LOCATION:
Ashford
SALARY:
From £12k pa
COMPANY:
Holiday Inn Ashford North
The successful candidate will work as part of the existing reception team in helping achieving the goals in People, Product and Profit. The role requires an individual to exceed customer expectations through building relationships, anticipating and exploring the guests needs whilst promoting a professional image for the business. Personal organisation, communication and team working are vital key deliverables for this position. Completion of shift procedures, maximising profit, checking guests in and out, dealing with enquiries, liasing with other departments and monitoring the phones and process transactions are key to this role. Shifts will be required. 7am - 3pm or 3pm - 11pm although total flexibility is essential during peak times of the business. Suitable candidates will have previous reception experience or at least 12 months experience in a customer facing role.
TO APPLY:
Joanne Stockbridge
Holiday Inn Ashford North
Tel: 01233 713333
Email
joanne.stockbridge@hiashford.com

JOB TITLE:
Reservationist
LOCATION:
Ashford
SALARY:
from £5.77 ph
COMPANY:
Holiday Inn Ashford North
The successful candidate will work as part of the existing reception team in helping to achieve the goals set by the Holiday Inn Ashford North. The role requires an individual to exceed customer expectations through building and maintaining relationships with existing guests of the hotel as well as new ones, whilst promoting a professional image for the business. Personal organisation, communication and team working as well as having an excellant telephone manner are vital for this position. The ideal candidate should be able to work well under pressure and to set timeframes. Computer knowledge is essential however full training will be provided. Administration work is also involved. Suitable candidates will have had previous hotel reservations experience or at least 12 months experience in a similar role Hours of work are 9 - 5, 3 days per week between Monday - Friday although some flexibiility will be required covering holidays
TO APPLY:
Joanne Stockbridge
Holiday Inn Ashford North
Tel: 01233 713333
Email
joanne.stockbridge@hiashford.com

MANAGEMENT, SENIOR POSITIONS

JOB TITLE:
Interpretation and Community Engagement Officer
LOCATION:
Rochester
SALARY:
£25,520 - £29,190 per annum
COMPANY:
Kent County Council
Be a part of the Valley of Visions. Be part of a new team which will make a real difference in the Medway Gap, a place of dramatic contrasts lying within and beside the Kent Downs Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty (AONB). We have the funding and local support in place to deliver an ambitious project that takes an integrated and sustainable approach to landscape, access and heritage management. The Valley of Visions Scheme has a budget of £2.4m over three years – partly financed by the Heritage Lottery Fund Landscape Partnership Scheme. There are not many opportunities like this one. All posts are fixed term three years initially, based at The Cedars, Snodland. You will work with the Valley of Visions Team members and other partners to develop, co-ordinate and implement community engagement in, and interpretation of, the landscape and heritage of the Medway Gap. In addition to providing expertise in community engagement and interpretation you will manage, develop and co-ordinate implementation of the Interpretation and Community Engagement Plan. The Valley of Visions team will work as part of the Kent Downs AONB Unit and will be employed by Kent County Council. Please quote the relevant reference when applying.
TO APPLY:
Nick Johannsen
Kent County Council
Tel: 01303 815170
Email recruitment.line@kent.gov.uk
CLOSING DATE
Midday 6 July 2007

JOB TITLE:
Landscape Access & Heritage Project Officer
LOCATION:
Rochester
SALARY:
£25,520 - £29,190 per annum
COMPANY:
Kent County Council
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TO APPLY:
Nick Johannsen
Kent County Council
Tel: 01303 815170.
Email recruitment.line@kent.gov.uk
CLOSING DATE
Midday 6 July 2007

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JOB TITLE:
Part-time Finance Reporting & Partnership Officer
LOCATION:
Rochester
SALARY:
£22,260 - £25,520 per annum pro rata
COMPANY:
Kent County Council
Be a part of the Valley of Visions. Be part of a new team which will make a real difference in the Medway Gap, a place of dramatic contrasts lying within and beside the Kent Downs Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty (AONB). We have the funding and local support in place to deliver an ambitious project that takes an integrated and sustainable approach to landscape, access and heritage management. The Valley of Visions Scheme has a budget of £2.4m over three years – partly financed by the Heritage Lottery Fund Landscape Partnership Scheme. There are not many opportunities like this one. All posts are fixed term three years initially, based at The Cedars, Snodland. You will work closely with each member of the Valley of Visions Team to make sure that the finance and project monitoring is carried out in a proper and verifiable manner. You will also provide an important support role to the Valley of Vision Project Manager and the Partnership Board providing the secretariat. All officers employed by the Medway Gap Valley of Vision Landscape Partnership Scheme will be expected to work across programmes to support all of the programmes and projects in an integrated way. The Valley of Visions team will work as part of the Kent Downs AONB Unit and will be employed by Kent County Council. Please quote the relevant reference when applying.
TO APPLY:
Nick Johannsen
Kent County Council
Tel: 01303 815170
Email recruitment.line@kent.gov.uk
CLOSING DATE
Midday 6 July 2007

JOB TITLE:
Part-time Training Officer
LOCATION:
Rochester
SALARY:
£22,260 - £25,520 per annum pro rata
COMPANY:
Kent County Council
Be a part of the Valley of Visions. Be part of a new team which will make a real difference in the Medway Gap, a place of dramatic contrasts lying within and beside the Kent Downs Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty (AONB). We have the funding and local support in place to deliver an ambitious project that takes an integrated and sustainable approach to landscape, access and heritage management. The Valley of Visions Scheme has a budget of £2.4m over three years – partly financed by the Heritage Lottery Fund Landscape Partnership Scheme. There are not many opportunities like this one. All posts are fixed term three years initially, based at The Cedars, Snodland. You will implement the Valley of Visions Training Plan – a cross cutting programme of training which will improve the capacity of the local communities and partnership organisations, as well as the Valley of Visions Team itself. The Valley of Visions team will work as part of the Kent Downs AONB Unit and will be employed by Kent County Council. For further details contact Nick Johannsen on 01303 815170. Please quote the relevant reference when applying.
TO APPLY:
Nick Johannsen
Kent County Council
Tel: 01303 815170
Email recruitment.line@kent.gov.uk
CLOSING DATE
Midday 6 July 2007

JOB TITLE:
Project Manager
LOCATION:
Rochester
SALARY:
£34,500 - £39,710 per annum
COMPANY:
Kent County Council
Be a part of the Valley of Visions. Be part of a new team which will make a real difference in the Medway Gap, a place of dramatic contrasts lying within and beside the Kent Downs Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty (AONB). We have the funding and local support in place to deliver an ambitious project that takes an integrated and sustainable approach to landscape, access and heritage management. The Valley of Visions Scheme has a budget of £2.4m over three years – partly financed by the Heritage Lottery Fund Landscape Partnership Scheme. There are not many opportunities like this one. All posts are fixed term three years initially, based at The Cedars, Snodland. You will lead a dynamic team of four staff to deliver the Valley of Vision Landscape Partnership Scheme. This will be achieved through advocacy, development of partnerships and delivery of an integrated suite of projects to enhance and protect the landscape, improve access, raise capacity in partners and the local community and increase community engagement. Your role will be to manage and develop the team, establish and build partnerships and work with partners to deliver the potential of the Valley of Vision scheme.You will ensure that projects are integrated and delivered on time and to budget, use your influence and experience to promote the Valley of Vision Project and work with partners and team members to further develop programmes and secure the financial arrangements for the second and third year of operation. A key part of your role will be to look beyond the three years that HLF have funded to secure a legacy and future for this exciting initiative. As Project Manager you will be involved in the recruitment of the rest of the Valley of Visions team. Interview date: 23 or 25 July 2007.
TO APPLY:
Nick Johannsen
Kent County Council
Tel: 01303 815170
Email email
recruitment.line@kent.gov.uk
CLOSING DATE
Midday 6 July 2007

MOTOR TRADE, DRIVER

JOB TITLE:
Experienced LGV2 Multi-Drop Drivers
LOCATION:
Maidstone
SALARY:
tbc
COMPANY:
Staffing Made Simple
Newly passed LGV1+2 looking to make an impression. We offer competitive rates of pay and permanent employment contracts with associated benefits.
TO APPLY:
Staffing Made Simple
Tel: 01622 791199
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JOB TITLE:
Area Co-Ordinator (Thanet)
LOCATION:
Thanet
SALARY:
Salary from £23,369 - £24,598
COMPANY:
VSU Youth in Action
Area Co-Ordinator (Thanet) Salary from £23,369 - £24,598 Responsible for managing a busy VSU area office based in The Marlowe Academy, recruiting and supporting up to 200 young volunteers to work in placements or group projects and network extensively with local community and youth organisations. All posts require innovation, energy and experience of working with young people. Youth work qualifications an advantage, as is a keen interest in the voluntary and community sector. full-time (37.5 hours a week). Flexible working conditions and 30 days leave entitlement. Own car essential. For further information and to download an application form visit www.vsuinkent.org
TO APPLY:
Shelley
VSU Youth in Action
Tel: 01732 469549
Email shelley@vsuinkent.org
CLOSING DATE
Monday 25 June

JOB TITLE:
Disability Worker (Mid & West Kent)
LOCATION:
N/A
SALARY:
Salary from £18,448 - £19,676 - 3 year contract
COMPANY:
VSU Youth in Action
This post will provide additional support to disabled young volunteers as well as further developing VSU's successful programme of volunteer projects with disabled children and young people. (BBC Children in Need funded project). full-time (37.5 hours a week). Flexible working conditions and 30 days leave entitlement. Own car essential. For further information and to download an application form visit www.vsuinkent.org
TO APPLY:
Shelley
VSU Youth in Action
Tel: 01732 469549
Email shelley@vsuinkent.org
CLOSING DATE
Monday 25 June

JOB TITLE:
PROJECT MANAGER
LOCATION:
Sevenoaks
SALARY:
Salary range £19,000 - £22,000
COMPANY:
Sevenoaks Volunteer Centre
• Would you like to project manage an exciting new initiative developing community based opportunities for people with learning disabilities in the Sevenoaks District? • Are you a strategic and creative thinker? • Do you have experience of working in partnership with a wide range of agencies? To find out more about this new exciting multi-agency project, visit www.sevenoaksvolunteers.org.uk or email:
TO APPLY:
Sevenoaks Volunteer Centre
Tel: 01732 454785
Email
info@sevenoaksvolunteers.org.uk
CLOSING DATE
Friday 27 July

NURSING, MEDICINE, CARE WORK

JOB TITLE:
Care Assistants and Domestic Staff
LOCATION:
Maidstone
SALARY:
TBA
COMPANY:
Nellsar Ltd
Nellsar Care Homes for the elderly have current vacancies for full & part-time care assistants. Weekend and night shifts also available.
TO APPLY:
Ann
Nellsar Ltd
Tel: 01622 755 821
Email lukestone@nellsar.com

JOB TITLE:
Flexi Working
LOCATION:
Deal
SALARY:
TBA
COMPANY:
Milestone House
A small residential home in Deal requires people for flexi-working. Are you kind, compassionate, and want to make a difference? We are a specialist unit caring for adults with profound learning disabilities and physical disabilities. You must be fit, dependable and have the right attitude, a sense of humour would help, the rest we will provide. The person must be flexible in their attitude towards work as we require people to be able to cover annual leave, long term sickness, maternity leave and emergency cover. The duties will consist of early and late shifts. Competitive rates of pay, all necessary training. CRB checks will be required. For more information please contact Lesley Stapleton on the number below.
TO APPLY:
Lesley Stapleton
Milestone House
Tel: 01304 381201
Email milestonehouse@aol.com

JOB TITLE:
Locum - Pyschological Therapists
LOCATION:
Kent
SALARY:
Salary £22,293 – £25,437 pro rata (SCP 28 - 32)
COMPANY:
KCA (UK)
KCA (UK) is an expanding and vibrant organisation providing a wide range of high quality and innovative specialist services. Founded in 1975 and currently employing over 300 paid and unpaid staff, it has an annual income of £11 million and is becoming established as one of the leading service providers in the South East Region. Our aim is to deliver individually tailored care packages that are cost effective in reducing drug and alcohol related harm and are based on cost-efficient structures processes and delivery mechanisms. We currently require additional, experienced psychological therapists, to work with adult clients, on a part time or locum basis in our well-established Psychological Therapy Service. Our psychological therapists provide short term therapeutic interventions within G.P. practices throughout Kent, working as a member of a Primary Care Team. The number of sessions and available working days will be negotiated to meet the requirements of the service and we are particularly requiring practitioners in the Medway/Maidstone area. We provide a strong, departmental framework with regular clinical supervision, line management, monthly team meetings, effective administration, and opportunities for further training and career development. Applicants will be required to be qualified to a minimum of Diploma level, knowledge of Cognitive Behavioural Therapy and CORE being highly desirable. In addition applicants should be eligible for BACP Accreditation and/or UKCP registration. An ability to provide focused, short-term interventions, in addition to being able to work independently whilst being an effective team member is also essential. For application forms contact: KCA (UK), Dan House, 44 East Street, Faversham, Kent ME13 8AT. This post carries an Essential Car User Allowance. Interview Dates: Friday 27th July 2007. KCA (UK) is committed to the principles of equality of opportunity for and welcomes applications from people with experience of substance use or who have had previous problems with substance misuse Charity No: 292824
TO APPLY:
Marina McClean
KCA (UK)
Tel: 01795 590635
Email marina@kca.org.uk.
CLOSING DATE
Friday 13th July 2007

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JOB TITLE:
Male Support and Senior Support Workers
LOCATION:
Sittingbourne
SALARY:
tba
COMPANY:
Forward Care
Required to provide personal care for men with learning disabilities and challenging behaviours for our homes in Sheerness and Sittingbourne. Will need to have 6 months experience working with ALD. Clean current driving licence required. Interested candidates should apply in writing enclosing a recent CV. Administrative Manager/Christine Morgan Forward Care (Residential) Ltd 15 Keycol Hill Sittingbourne, Kent ME9 8LZ Previous applicants need not apply. This post is exempt from the Sex Discrimination Act Section 72 (c & f).
TO APPLY:
Forward Care
Tel: 01795 841220
Email forwardcare@yahoo.co.uk

JOB TITLE:
Night Care Assistants
LOCATION:
Meopham
SALARY:
£5.85 wk £6.50 wknds (enhanced for nvq 2)
COMPANY:
Holywell Park Ltd
Large friendly , family run,Care Home for the elderly with excellent ratings, require night staff. hours are 9pm to 8am. NVQ 2 qualified £6.25 and £7.00 , we also operate a 25p per hour bonus rate after probationary period, conditions apply. CRB check required. In-house training available as well as NVQ's. Come and join our friendly team. Full time or two part time employees required. Holywell Park is in Hodsoll St which lies between Meopham and Wrotham. Please contact for more information and an application form.
TO APPLY:
Debbie or Karen
Holywell Park Ltd
Tel: 01732 822215
Email holywellpark@aol.com

JOB TITLE:
PART TIME CLEANER
LOCATION:
Meopham
SALARY:
£5.65 (for over 18)
£6.35 wkends
COMPANY:
Holywell Park Ltd
Holywell Park residential care home requires 2 part time cleaners. Shift time 8am -1pm . General cleaning duties. Friendly family run home in Hodsoll st nr Meopham / Wrotham. For application form and any further information please contact us. Bonus of 25p per hour paid after probationary period, conditions apply.
TO APPLY:
Debbie obrien /karen walls
Holywell park ltd
Tel: 01732 822215
Email holywellpark@aol.com

JOB TITLE:
Senior Support Workers Medway Ref 119/BNS
LOCATION:
Medway
SALARY:
£16,481-£17,361
COMPANY:
MCCH
Join our dedicated teams supporting adults with varying degrees of learning disabilities, assisting Managers in day to day operational management of staff teams, and ensure provision of support to service users in all aspects of their care plans. At least 18 months experience required in a senior role. Willing to work to NVQ Level 3 in Care or equivalent.
TO APPLY:
Janine Osgood
MCCH
Tel: 07734 847873
Email j.pearce@mcch.co.uk
CLOSING DATE
27th June 2007

JOB TITLE:
Various positions available at Residential Home
LOCATION:
Maidstone
SALARY:
TBA
COMPANY:
Nellsar Ltd
Care Assistant Senior Carers Nurses Domestic/Laundry Assistants We offer a competitive package! If you are looking to start or further your career in the caring profession and want to work for a dynamic & growing company then please call.
TO APPLY:
Ann
Nellsar Ltd
Tel: 01622 755 821
Email lukestone@nellsar.com

OTHER

JOB TITLE:
Host Families
LOCATION:
Ramsgate
SALARY:
Excellent Rates
COMPANY:
Churchill House School of English
Host Families required in Ramsgate, Birchington and Westgate for July and August 2007. We require caring host families for our overseas students from 3 to 6 weeks. 24 hour emergency contact would be available as well as the full support of our established language school. You would be expected to provide breakfast and dinner Monday to Friday and all meals at weekends. For more information telephone Gill Edmonds on 01843 582622
TO APPLY:
Gill Edmonds
Churchill House School of English
Tel: 01843 582622
Email gill@churchillhouse.co.uk
CLOSING DATE
August 07

PRINT, PACKAGING, DISTRIBUTION

JOB TITLE:
Installation and Delivery Drivers
LOCATION:
Thanet
SALARY:
NEGOTIABLE
COMPANY:
Ivor Thomas Amusements Ltd
Installation and Delivery Drivers To Install and Deliver all Types of Gaming and Amusement Equipment throughout the South East Area. From a Ramsgate Base. Current driving Licence required. Please note that only short-listed candidates will receive a reply.
TO APPLY:
Colin Miles
Ivor Thomas Amusements Ltd
Tel: 0845 061 5050
Email colin@ivor-thomas.com
CLOSING DATE
30th June 2007

PUBLIC SECTOR, SOCIAL SERVICES

JOB TITLE:
Campus Caretaker
LOCATION:
Folkestone
SALARY:
£13,339 to 14,854 per annum
COMPANY:
Canterbury Christ Church University
The post provides an opportunity for a hardworking, flexible and motivated individual to assist in the successful development of this project. You will undertake basic maintenance tasks in respect of the building and the grounds and assist with a range of housekeeping /cleaning tasks. You will have GCSE English A – C or equivalent and will hold (or will be expected to obtain following appointment to the post) a Health and Safety First Aid at Work Certificate.

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You will require current or very recent experience as a caretaker or 'handyman' and have previous experience of a post involving responsibility for security.
Application forms and further details are available from www.canterbury.ac.uk.
TO APPLY:
Canterbury Christ Church University
Tel: 01227 782475
Email hr@canterbury.ac.uk
CLOSING DATE
6 July 2007

JOB TITLE:
Community Development Officer (Health)
LOCATION:
Sevenoaks
SALARY:
£19,515 - £33,009 pa rising with exceptional performance (pay award pending)
COMPANY:
Sevenoaks District Council
We are seeking a highly motivated and enthusiastic person to co-ordinate partnership working and develop health based initiatives in partnership with West Kent Primary Care Trust as part of existing and new healthy lifestyles projects throughout the district. This is an exciting opportunity for the right person. You will be working on a range of healthy lifestyle projects to improve the health of well being of the local community, particularly related to identified areas of need and hard-to-reach groups. This will include organising events, marketing and promoting initiatives and co-ordinating relevant partners to develop an effective multi-agency approach to health prevention and improvement.This work is jointly funded by Sevenoaks District Council and West Kent Primary Care Trust. Based at Sevenoaks District Council offices, you will work as part of a team but also be expected to work on your own initiative. You will need excellent organisational and interpersonal skills and have experience of working in a health improvement or community development environment. The ability to motivate and engage with all members of the community and partners is essential. You are welcome to contact Hayley Brooks, Health and Leisure Team Leader on the number given, for an informal discussion about the position. Our staff benefits package includes, a final salary contributory pension scheme, flexible annual leave and working arrangements, free membership of Sencio's Leisure Centres in the District, a childcare vouchers scheme, free car parking at place of work and excellent training and development opportunities. To apply on-line please visit our website, www.sevenoaks.gov.uk/jobs. You may also contact the Personnel Unit for an Information pack and application form by calling the recruitment voicemail on 01732 227102 (24 hours) or by e-mailing recruitment@sevenoaks.gov.uk quoting the reference CS.572.
Interview date:
Tuesday 17th July 2007
TO APPLY:
Hayley Brooks
Sevenoaks District Council
Tel: 01732 227272
Email
recruitment@sevenoaks.gov.uk
CLOSING DATE
Friday 6th July 2007

JOB TITLE:
Community Support Workers (10 posts)
LOCATION:
Margate
SALARY:
TBA
COMPANY:
RNID
At RNID, promoting independence is one of our key objectives. Our supported living schemes provide services for deaf and hard of hearing people who also have challenging behaviour. There'll never be a dull moment here in this supportive, encouraging team. Whether arranging a social event, helping to plan a holiday or set up home, you will empower people to live full, independent lives. Based in the Margate Community area, you will have proven experience in a similar field along with a willingness to learn BSL level 2 and achieve and complete NVQ level 3 in Care. You can view and download information on all our vacancies and apply online by visiting www.RNID.org.uk or calling the number below or textphone 020 7296 8197. Please quote relevant reference numbers. Interview date: 16 July.
TO APPLY:
RNID
Tel: 0207 296 8075
Email jobs@RNID.org.uk
CLOSING DATE
2 July 2007

JOB TITLE:
Community Support Workers (Maternity Leave Cover) 2 posts Fixed Term
LOCATION:
Margate
SALARY:
£13,260-£16,000 pa plus sleep in allowance
COMPANY:
RNID
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TO APPLY:
RNID
Tel: 0207 296 8075
Email jobs@RNID.org.uk
CLOSING DATE
2 July 2007

JOB TITLE:
Drug Intervention Programme Workers Gravesend and Maidstone
LOCATION:
Maidstone
SALARY:
£17,985 - £25,437 (SCP 21 - 32) - 37 hours per week Pay award Pending
COMPANY:
KCA (UK)
This post carries an Essential Car User Allowance In this role you will contribute to the provision of the Kent Drug Intervention Programme (DIP) that aims to reduce drug related crime by engaging with offenders through all stages of the criminal justice system. You will take active steps to contact people who have been referred to KCA by Police, Probation or Prison based services in order to assess for treatment services relevant to their individual needs and address problems of social exclusion. You will work in collaboration with specialist Prison Drug Services, Prison and Community Probation staff and Police staff to deliver co-ordinated and planned support packages. To meet the challenges of this role you should have previous employment that includes knowledge of working within the criminal justice system and of working with vulnerable people. These posts are subject to Criminal Records Bureau check at enhanced level and also Enhanced Prison Service Security clearance. For application forms contact: KCA (UK), Dan House, 44 East Street, Faversham, Kent ME13 8AT. Interviews will be held in Sittingbourne
TO APPLY:
Claire Begent
KCA (UK)
Tel: 01795 439409
Email marina@kca.org.uk.
CLOSING DATE
5th July 2007

JOB TITLE:
Fraud Officer
LOCATION:
Folkestone
SALARY:
£18,354 - £23,082 + Essential User Car Allowance
COMPANY:
Shepway District Council
You will join our already successful team and help us achieve even greater success in the future. If you are enthusiastic and have experience of dealing with fraudulent claims, this could be the job for you. The closing date for completed application forms is Friday 6th July 2007.
TO APPLY:
Steve Austin
Shepway District Council
Tel: 01303 858699
Email jobs@shepway.gov.uk
Closing Date
Friday 6th July 2007

JOB TITLE:
Information and Learning Support Officer
LOCATION:
Folkestone
SALARY:
£19,263 to £21,050 per annum
COMPANY:
Canterbury Christ Church University
In September 2007 Canterbury Christ Church University and the University of Greenwich will open the University Centre Folkestone (UCF). Ref: ILS/UCF/77 Working closely with key staff across both universities, you will provide induction, support, advice and training to staff and students in the operation and use of computing facilities, materials and equipment. This will include providing first line information/computing support and assistance in the use of the networks of the two universities. In addition, this will involve first line support for library services, including liaison with academic services librarians at each university and liaison with the Folkestone Public Library staff who will provide traditional library services to UCF. You will be of degree calibre, have excellent IT skills, and have computing experience preferably in a networked environment. A higher level qualification in Computing or Information Management would be an advantage. Application forms and further details are available from www.canterbury.ac.uk.
TO APPLY:
Canterbury Christ Church University
Tel: 01227 782475
Email hr@canterbury.ac.uk
CLOSING DATE
6 July 2007

JOB TITLE:
Integrated Student Support Services Officer
LOCATION:
Folkestone
SALARY:
£19,263 to £21,050 per annum (pro rata if part-time)
COMPANY:
Canterbury Christ Church University
(Two part-time 0.5 posts or one full-time post) Ref: ISS/UCF/77 Working closely with key staff across both universities, you will be responsible for setting up integrated student help desk services, offering first line student support and guidance and making referrals to specialist student support and guidance staff as appropriate. You will be of degree calibre, have experience of student support and guidance services in higher education and have good IT and administrative skills. You will have a high standard of customer care and a genuine concern for the needs of students. Experience of working in student support and guidance services in further or higher education would be an advantage. Application forms and further details are available from www.canterbury.ac.uk.
TO APPLY:
Canterbury Christ Church University
Tel: 01227 782475
Email hr@canterbury.ac.uk
CLOSING DATE
6 July 2007

JOB TITLE:
Revenues Officer
LOCATION:
Folkestone
SALARY:
£11,241 - £18,354
COMPANY:
Shepway District Council
You will be required to maintain accurate account records in response to information received, respond to queries from customers (including phone and counter queries) and make and monitor arrangements for arrears. You will also need to be committed to customer care. For an informal discussion, please contact Jane Worrell, Operations Manager, on 01303 853226.
TO APPLY:
Jane Worrell
Shepway District Council
Tel: 01303 853226.
Email jobs@shepway.gov.uk
CLOSING DATE
Friday 6th July 2007

JOB TITLE:
Senior Community Support Worker
LOCATION:
Margate
SALARY:
£15,250-£17,250 pa plus sleep-in allowance
COMPANY:
RNID
At RNID, promoting independence is one of our key objectives. Our supported living schemes provide services for deaf and hard of hearing people who also have challenging behaviour. Acting as an inspirational leader to our team, you'll ensure our projects run like clockwork providing the independence and high standards our service users expect. You'll need to have proven experience of care standards for vulnerable people and an understanding of the needs of deaf and hard of hearing people. A driving licence will also be required along with the willingness to learn BSL level 2 and achieve and complete NVQ level 3 in Care. You can view and download information on all our vacancies and apply online by visiting www.RNID.org.uk (24 hr), textphone 020 7296 8197 or calling the number below. Please quote relevant reference number. Interview date: 16 July
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Tel: 0207 296 8075
Email jobs@RNID.org.uk
CLOSING DATE
2 July 2007

JOB TITLE:
Technical Clerk
LOCATION:
Sevenoaks
SALARY:
£14,664-£17,874 pa rising to £18,972 with exceptional performance
COMPANY:
Sevenoaks District Council
Pay award pending plus a final salary contributory pension scheme. Based at Dunbrik Depot, you will provide full administrative support to the section including using a bespoke computer system on which full training will be given. Working within a small friendly team, your duties will include maintaining computer based costing and management systems, as well as manual records and job cards. You will liaise with customers and other Council departments, in order to process orders and invoices and deal with phone, email and face-to-face enquiries. Good communication and keyboard skills are essential as well as an excellent telephone manner. You will be expected to provide cover when necessary for all aspects of the team's work and therefore must be flexible in your approach and be able to work as part of a team. The ability to work to deadlines and on your own initiative is essential. An aptitude for computer and financial work will be a distinct advantage. Full training on all computerised systems will be given. We work a 37-hour, Monday to Friday working week with flexi-time. For an informal discussion about this post please contact Angela Dodge below. Our staff benefits package includes, a final salary contributory pension scheme, flexible annual leave and working arrangements, free membership of Sencio's Leisure Centres in the District, a childcare vouchers scheme, free car parking at place of work and excellent training and development opportunities. To apply on-line please visit our website @ www.sevenoaks.gov.uk/jobs. For an information pack and application form contact the telephone number or email below. Sevenoaks District Council is committed to being an Equal Opportunities Employer.
Interview date: Friday 13th July 2007
TO APPLY:
Angela Dodge
Sevenoaks District Council
Tel: 01959 567353
Email
recruitment@sevenoaks.gov.uk
CLOSING DATE
Friday 6th July 2007

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FIRST GEAR

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Listening Honda's sporting Accord

HONDA used to embellish the Accord range with a scorching Type-R model.

There is no sign of a replacement in the current generation Accord line-up, but it does get a new sporting flagship in September – the Sport GT (from £20,767).

It appears by popular demand according to Honda, which aims to capitalize on higher Accord sales to fleets and companies in the 'D' or Ford Mondeo sector – up 68 per cent so far in 2007.

A Honda spokesman said: "Our dealers tell us new buyers – especially those from the corporate sector – want a version that combines the advanced technology offered by high-end models with more of the sporting features from other Accords in the range."

The Sport GT is geared to meet that demand through sharp, nimble handling with performance car styling, high-grade equipment and optional and exclusive white 'pearl' paint finish.

Standard kit on the 2.2 i-CTDi turbodiesel version includes: dark chrome door handles and front grille, dark alloys, sports suspension, rear spoiler, smoked headlights, premium audio system with six-CD changer, cruise control and Bluetooth hands free 'phone kit.

A 'price fighter' Accord SE diesel model also joins the range in September with the task of making further fleet inroads helped by company car tax efficiency, high-spec levels and a competitive £18,600 price tag.

Mazda targets fleets too

MAZDA is also listening to the needs of company car 'user choosers' and has just launched a Kumano limited edition of its own Mazda6 to attack the Mondeo market slot.

Priced from £17,550 and offered with a 2.0-litre petrol or diesel engine, the Kumano is based on the highly specified five-door hatchback TS 2 model, but gains extra equipment while saving at least £545 and including xenon headlights, dark brushed finish alloys, Kumano badges and metallic or mica paint free of charge.

Citroën goes for the big sales

HAVING championed small cars and MPVs lately, Citroën is now bidding for sales of bigger cars.

This has been signaled by the arrival of the acclaimed low emission 173hp 2.2HDi twin turbodiesel plus automatic option for its Ford Mondeo rival, the C5 saloon and estate and on the sleek C6 executive flagship.

Even with the automatic gearbox, this engine can average around 40mpg in the C5 and hit 60mph in 9.5 seconds.

Citroën sees the new powertrain as underlining the reputation of both cars as comfortable and economical long distance cruisers, helped by Citroën's legendary self-levelling suspension system.

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by STEVELOADER

Ford needs and means business with Mondeo

NEWS that Ford is considering the sale of Jaguar and Land Rover speaks volumes for the state of the car brand that pioneered motoring for all.

The company has invested billions in both British brands and Land Rover is now said to be profitable while Jaguar finally seems on course for a return to the black.

Yet one of the world's car giants is so financially troubled that it would rather bank hard cash to offset debts, rather than gamble on the upmarket British brands.

But while selling capital assets might buy time with the banks, the US giant really needs to pull off some good old-fashioned money-making, especially at a time when profitable American sales of pick-ups and MPVs have been hit by Japanese competition, soaring fuel prices in the USA and the reality of global warming.

One possible lifeline could be the all-new Mondeo arriving soon.

Despite the name, predecessors never quite made the 'world car' status that Ford had hoped, although it briefly became a big seller in the UK and Europe.

But more is being asked of the Mondeo this time and it could just succeed for Ford at home and abroad, especially if it can attack the BMW 3-Series/Mercedes C-Class/Audi A4 rival – models that have stolen so much traditional Mondeo business.

The badge is the problem though – the blue oval simply cannot match the propeller badge, three-pointed star or four rings of the German triumvirate.

The key to the trio's success has been the second-hand market; with such insatiable demand for those badges, the German models have suffered lower depreciation and 'life costs' with leasing and company car fleets, enabling executive drivers or 'user choosers' to have the marque and status they really want.

HIGH HOPES: Ford aims to go after German rivals with the stylish Mondeo estate

Meanwhile, new Mondeo sales have slumped, while used values are so depressed the current range is surely one of the best buys on the used market.

Nevertheless, after a high profile public 'outing' in the latest James Bond movie Casino Royale, Ford still fancies going upmarket with the car, while keeping a foot in its traditional mainstream segment by pitching junior models at aggressive prices – the new £14,995 'Edge' entry car will actually cost £300 less than its outgoing equivalent.

The company is also giving the car a generous basic spec plus its unique 'Easyfuel' feature – designed to prevent drivers putting petrol into a diesel-powered car or vice-versa.

But can Ford really maintain the car's value position as well as taking the fight to the German trio?

A year ago, I would have said 'no', but a precedent was set with the current European Car of the Year, the Ford S-Max.

Hailed as the first seven-seat 'driver's MPV', it is the luxury Titanium version that has been the big seller, suggesting that a genuinely good product can cut across badge snobbery and pave the way to a miraculous turnaround in Ford's fortunes.

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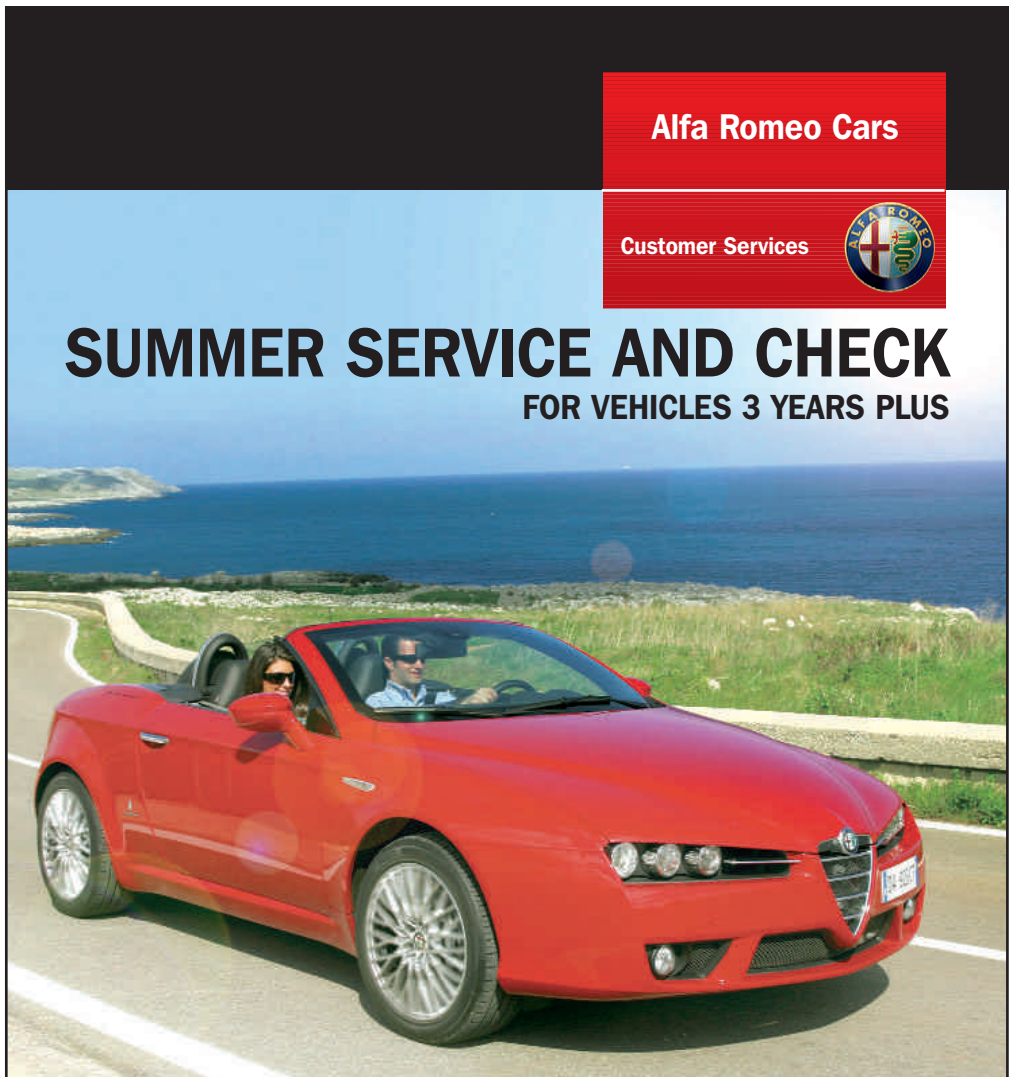

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DrivingReview

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VauxhallCorsa VXR

Pumped up VXR is no lout

TUNING into Radio 2 first was a bad start.

It showed that I was definitely out of tune with Vauxhall's mad-looking new Corsa VXR.

One look at the pumped-up bodykit signalled that I really should have selected a younger station or one of those rap CDs and then cranked the volume to the point where my ears bled and my head jerked involuntarily like a parcel shelf nodding dog.

There was also the further option to wear a Burberry baseball cap the wrong way round – will the brand ever recover from such a sartorial horror? Then again, can young people who crave the Corsa VXR really afford to buy, run and insure it?

It might be a small hatchback, but enthusiastic use of its 189bhp of turbocharged power can decimate the official 35.8mpg and it is group 16 to insure. It also costs £15,625; £400 more buys a Mini Cooper S with the promise of upmarket street cred and better resale values.

That aside, the Corsa VXR is actually good fun – better than the irritatingly unrefined Astra VXR – and the sort of car I would have loved when I started driving.

And there lies Vauxhall's problem – a narrow band of market appeal and plenty of competition (see 'Rivals' in DrivingStats) although few can live with the Corsa's 0-60mph in less than seven seconds.

Perhaps there is method in Vauxhall's madness though, because it has just announced the rather cheaper and more civilized Corsa SRi with VXR accoutrements that should sell by the bucket load, judging by the success of SRi trim on other Vauxhalls and the availability of a five-door option.

So, perhaps the VXR is really only there to glam up the already impressive Corsa line-up – volume sales are irrelevant.

It is certainly hard to ignore, thanks to fat showy alloys and that muscular body kit, although the back is over the top and lumpen with its rear wheel arch vents, diffuser and fat triangular chrome exhaust.

The interior is smart thanks to generous use of alloy highlights and a pair of fabulous Recaro sports seats.

Plump down hard in these and you won't find much give; settle back though and the contoured excellence is startling.

Couple this comfort with decent ride quality and cruising refinement and the VXR is revealed as one hot hatchback that you really can live with on a long journey.

It certainly contradicts my usual beef that, given the everyday congestion on our roads, there is little point in having the discomfort of a taut suspension and chassis, a growling engine and sharp brakes when you can so rarely enjoy them.

Climb past the Recaros and you also have enough rear space to imagine some young Dads persuading 'er indoors that it really is a "good motor for the family luv".

Boot space is good too, especially as Vauxhall has ditched a spacesaver spare and stashed a puncture kit and pump in a locker to the right to leave a large underfloor stowage area.

But most people will ignore such practicalities and simply demand to know whether the Corsa VXR can walk the talk suggested by those looks.

Yes, the car has tenacious grip without risk to fillings, plus good steering feedback and a flat stance on corners.

Power from the boosted engine is also fed efficiently to the road – there is none of the steering wheel fight of the bigger Astra VXR – and the six-speed gearbox is slick and good for motorway refinement.

Pumped up it might be, but the VXR is no muscle-bound lout.

DrivingStats

- • Vauxhall Corsa VXR £15,625.
- Range: £7,495-test car.
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FORD CONNECT t200 lx swb, 03 2003, 1.8tdci 90 ps elec windows abs white 24.000 miles, £5995, Beaver Commercials, Ashford, 01233 634763 (TRADE)

FORD ESCORT 55, 04 2001, 1.8d pas white, 0 miles, £2750, Beaver Commercials, Ashford, 01233 634763 (TRADE)

FORD ESCORT 75, 08 1997, 1.8d pas white ex council 50.000 miles, £1995, Beaver Commercials, Ashford, 01233 634763 (TRADE)

FIESTA, Flight, 2001, two female owners, 1299cc, 34, 662 miles, 3 door, tax march 2008, mot september 2007, service history, excellent condition. pepper red, £2400, Kent, 01233 611254 (PRIVATE)

FORD FIESTA ZETEC, 06 06, 1.4 tdci 5dr met blue cd player 9, 000 miles one owner, £7995, Beaver Commercials, Ashford, 01233 634763 (TRADE)

FORD MONDEO 4 door saloon, 09 2000, 1.8 p lx verona met black a/c elec windows 28.000 miles fsh, £3695, Beaver Commercials, Ashford, 01233 634763 (TRADE)

FORD TRANSIT connect, 11 2004, 1.8 tddi 75 ps swb l/roof side door white 37.000 miles, £6495, Beaver Commercials, Ashford, 01233 634763 (TRADE)

COUGAR, 2.5 24v Coupe 3d 2544cc, x, 2000 X reg ford cougar 2.5 v6 24v, 3 doors, manual, coupe, petrol, 48, 171 miles, metallic amparo blue. abs, adjustable seats, adjustable steering column/wheel, air conditioning, alloy wheels, computer, driver airbag, electric mirrors, electric windows, foglights, front armrest, electrically adjustable seats, head restraints, folding rear seats, lumbar support, immobiliser, passenger airbag, power assisted steering, remote locking, radio/cassette, side airbags, sports seats, traction control, climate pack, central locking, climate control, full service history, heated screen, leather seats, locking wheel nuts, radio/cd multichanger. please contact greme noble for details. £5, 495 p/x welcome, metallic amparo blue, £5495, SMC Ford Gravesend, Gravesend, 0845 3891134 (TRADE)

FIESTA, 2.0 ST Hatchback 3d 1999cc, 05, 2005 05 reg ford fiesta 2.0 st, 3 doors, manual, hatchback, petrol, 7, 566 miles, colorado red, 1 owner. abs, adjustable seats, air conditioning, alloy wheels, computer, driver airbag, electric mirrors, electric windows, head restraints, folding rear seats, leather seats, immobiliser, passenger airbag, power assisted steering, remote locking, radio/cd multichanger, rear headrests, sports seats, cd multichanger, central locking, colour coding body, full service history, heated screen, locking wheel nuts. also has privacy glass. contact graeme noble for details. £11, 000 p/x welcome, colorado red, £11000, SMC Ford Gravesend, Gravesend, 0845 3891134 (TRADE)

FIESTA, 1.25 Style Climate, 2006, moondust silver, 6510 miles, £6995, CB Motors, Tenterden, 01580 765011 (TRADE)

FOCUS, 1.4 CL, 2001, blue, miles, £, A 1 Carriages, Crayford, 01322 281525 (TRADE)

FOCUS, 1.6 Sport, 2006, insurance group 6 abs air conditioning alloy wheels audio remote control body coloured bumpers drivers airbag electricdoor mirrors folding rear seats front electric windows front fog lights heated door mirrors height adjustable drivers seat immobiliser passenger airbag power steering radio/cd remote central locking side airbags steering wheel rake adjustment steering wheel reach adjustment, panther black, 12000 miles, £8000, A 1 Carriages, Crayford, 01322 281525 (TRADE)

FUSION, 1.4 2 5dr (2002 - 2005), 29/03/2004, cd player abs driver airbag power steering immobiliser electric windows, moondust silver, 47000 miles, £5499, Invicta Motors, Ashford, 01233 504400 (TRADE)

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GALAXY, 1.9TD Zetec MPV 5d 1896cc auto, 05, 2005 05 reg ford galaxy 1.9 td zetec, 5 doors, automatic, estate, diesel, 5, 000 miles, metallic shadow blue. abs, adjustable seats, adjustable steering column/wheel, air conditioning, alloy wheels, computer, driver airbag, electric mirrors, electric windows, foglights, front armrest, head restraints, immobiliser, park distance control, passenger airbag, power assisted steering, remote locking, roof rails, side airbags, radio/cd, rear headrests. please contact alistair mcewen £16, 000, metallic shadow blue, £16000, SMC Ford Crayford, Crayford, 0845 3891135 (TRADE)

GALAXY, 2.3 Zetec, 2001, insurance group 11 abs air conditioning alarm alloy wheels body coloured bumpers drivers airbag electricdoor mirrors front electric windows front fog lights heated door mirrors height adjustable drivers seat immobiliser passenger airbag power steering radio/cd remote central locking reverse parking aid roof rails steering wheel rake adjustment steering wheel reach adjustment, satin silver, 37000 miles, £6493, A 1 Carriages, Crayford, 01322 281525 (TRADE)

KA, 2003, electric sunroof drivers airbag power steering alloy wheels, blue, 31000 ms, £4000, A1 Carriages, Crayford, 01322 281525 (TRADE)

KA, 1.6i Sportka SE 3dr (2003 -), 23/04/2004, cd player abs driver airbag immobiliser, black, 21000 miles, £6799, Invicta Motors, Canterbury, 08444 992321 (TRADE)

MONDEO, 3.0 Titanium X Hatchback 5d 2967cc, 05, 2005 05 reg ford mondeo facelift model titanium x 3.0, 5 doors, manual, hatchback, petrol, 6, 000 miles, metallic blue. abs, adjustable steering column/wheel, air conditioning, alloy wheels, climate control, computer, cruise control, driver airbag, electric mirrors, electric windows, foglights, front armrest, electrically adjustable seats, head restraints, folding rear seats, heated seats, leather seats, lumbar support, immobiliser, passenger airbag, power assisted steering, rear armrest, remote locking, side airbags, radio/cd, rear headrests, finance packages available, contact gary cheetham for more help. rear park assist, xenons £12, 995 p/x welcome, metallic blue, £12995, SMC Ford Sittingbourne, Sittingbourne, 0845 3891136 (TRADE)

MONDEO, 2.0TDCi 115 Zetec, 05, 2005 05 reg ford mondeo 2.0tdci 115 zetec, 5 doors, manual, hatchback, diesel, 20, 000 miles, metallic stardust silver, 1 owner. abs, adjustable steering column/wheel, air con, alloys, computer, cruise control, driver airbag, electric mirrors, electric windows, front armrest, electrically adjustable seats, immobiliser, passenger airbag, power assisted steering, rear armrest, remote locking, side airbags, radio/cd, please contact alistair mcewen £11, 000, metallic stardust silver, £11000, SMC Ford Crayford, Crayford, 0845 3891135 (TRADE)

MUSTANG, V8 Coupe Premium, 06, 2006 06 reg ford mustang 4.6l v8 coupe premium 300bhp, 320lb ft torque, 2 doors, auto, petrol, 3, 000 miles, screaming yellow with black side stripes, air con, anti theft system, electric windows, electrically adjustable seats, power assisted steering, remote locking, spoiler, tinted glass. airbags, leather-trimmed sports seats, interior upgrade package, 18" polished alloys and tyres upgrade, cd, mp3 player, warranty, left hand drive. was £27, 495, now £24, 995 p/x welcome, £24995, SMC Ford Gravesend, 0845 3891134 (TRADE)

MUSTANG, V6 Convertable 4.0L, 05, 2005 05 reg ford mustang 4.0l v6 convertible deluxe 210bhp, 240lb ft, 2 doors, automatic, petrol, 6, 000 miles, torch red with black roof, 1 owner. adjustable seats, air conditioning, cd, cruise control, electric mirrors, electric windows, immobiliser, passenger airbag, power assisted steering, remote locking. driver / passenger airbags, cream cloth upholstery, interior upgrade package, 16" bright machined aluminium wheels with chrome spinners, electric-folding roof, warranty, left hand drive. please call graeme noble mustang specialist about this vehicle and many other new & used mustangs. was £26, 995, now £24, 995 p/x welcome, torch red with black roof, £24995, SMC Ford Gravesend, Gravesend, 0845 3891134 (TRADE)

RANGER, Double Cab Pick Up Turbo 4WD (-), 01/09/2005, grey, 16208 miles, £12923, Invicta Motors, Ashford, 01233 504400 (TRADE)
S-MAX, 1.8 TDCi LX 5dr (2006 -), 21/07/2006, blue, 9263 miles, £17499, Invicta Motors, Canterbury, 08444 992321 (TRADE)

S-MAX, 2.5 Titanium 5dr (2006 -), 10/08/2006, blue, 12000 miles, £18999, Invicta Motors, Ramsgate, 01843 853555 (TRADE)

STREETKA, 2004, a/con c/lock e/wind pas alloys, blue, 19065 miles, £7995, WJ King Vauxhall, Bromley, 020 8464 3456 (TRADE)

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CIVIC, Type R, 2004, 54 reg, only 14600 miles, black, air con, alloy wheels, excellent condition, new house forces sale. black, £12250, 07832131000 (PRIVATE)

CRV, ES 2.0, 1999, gold, 88221 miles, £3995, Morris Forshaw, Maidstone, 01622 750 442 (TRADE)

JAZZ, 2002, cd c/lock e/wind pas a/bag, silver, 41900 miles, £5995, WJ KIng Vauxhall, Woolwich, 020 8854 8161 (TRADE)

HYUNDAI

AMICA, 1.1 CDX, 2006, silver, 6800 miles, £5495, Morris Forshaw, Maidstone, 01622 750 442 (TRADE)

COUPE, SIII 2.0, 2006, stone black, 5000 miles, £14995, Morris Forshaw, Maidstone, 01622 750 442 (TRADE)

GETZ, 1.1 CDX, 2003, seaside blue, 5000 miles, £4995, Morris Forshaw, Maidstone, 01622 750 442 (TRADE)

MATRIX, Gsi 1.6, 2002, silver, 36447 miles, £4495, Morris Forshaw, Maidstone, 01622 750 442 (TRADE)

SANTA FE, 2.0CRTD GSI Station Wagon 5d 1991cc, 53, 2003 53 reg hyundai santa fe 2.0 crtd gsi, 5 doors, manual, estate, diesel, silver. abs, adjustable seats, adjustable steering column/wheel, air conditioning, alloy wheels, electric sunroof, driver airbag, folding rear seats, electric mirrors, electric windows, foglights, immobiliser, head restraints, lumbar support, passenger airbag, power assisted steering, rear headrests, rear armrest, remote locking. £10, 999 p/x welcome, silver, miles, £10999, SMC Mitsubishi Sittingbourne, Sittingbourne, 0845 3380900 (TRADE)

TERRACAN, Crtd Cdx 2.9, 2003, black, 40302 miles, £9995, Morris Forshaw, Maidstone, 01622 750 442 (TRADE)
Trajet, 2.0 CRTD Gsi, 2006, glacier silver, 6300 miles, £11995, Morris Forshaw, Maidstone, 01622 750 442 (TRADE)

TRAJET, CRTG GSi, 2003, sky silver, 40000 miles, £7995, Morris Forshaw, Maidstone, 01622 750 442 (TRADE)

TUCSON, 2005, a/con alloys e/wind e/mirr cd, silver, 5567 miles, £10995, WJ KIng Vauxhall, Woolwich, 020 8854 8161 (TRADE)

XG 30, 3.0, 2000, silver, 53597 miles, £2995, Morris Forshaw, Maidstone, 01622 750 442 (TRADE)

KIA

CARENS, 2.0 CRDi LX Automatic Diesel, 2006, insurance group 8 abs air conditioning body coloured bumpers drivers airbag electricdoor mirrors folding rear seats front electric windows front fog lights heated door mirrors height adjustable drivers seat immobiliser passenger airbag power steering radio/cd rear electric windows remote central locking steering wheel rake adjustment, cool silver, 13630 miles, £9995, Masters Bromley Kia, Beckenham, 0208 662 6133 (TRADE)

CERATO, 1.5 GS CRDi Diesel, 2006, abs air conditioning alarm alloy wheels drivers airbag passenger airbag side airbags electric mirrors front electric windows immobiliser power steering radio/cd remote central locking, ice blue, 50 miles, £8995, Masters Bromley Kia, Beckenham, 0208 662 6133 (TRADE)

MAGENTIS, 2.0 LS Tip Automatic, 2006, insurance group 14 abs alloy wheels body coloured bumpers climate control drivers airbag electricdoor mirrors electrically adjustable drivers seat folding rear seats front electric windows front fog lights heated door mirrors heated front seat height adjustable drivers seat immobiliser leather seats passenger airbag power steering radio/cd rear electric windows remote central locking side airbags steering wheel rake adjustment steering wheel reach adjustment traction control trip computer, deep ocean blue, miles, £13995, Masters Bromley Kia, Beckenham, 0208 662 6133 (TRADE)

PICANTO, 1.1 LX, 2006, insurance group 3 abs air conditioning alarm body coloured bumpers drivers airbag electricdoor mirrors folding rear seats front electric windows heated door mirrors passenger airbag power steering radio/cd rear electric windows remote central locking steering wheel rake adjustment, liquid silver, 10900 miles, £5695, Masters Bromley Kia, Beckenham, 0208 662 6133 (TRADE)

RIO, 1.5 CRDi GS, 2006, insurance group 4 abs air conditioning body coloured bumpers central locking drivers airbag folding rear seats front electric windows height adjustable drivers seat immobiliser passenger airbag power steering radio/cd steering wheel rake adjustment, silver, 6500 miles, £7995, Masters Bromley Kia, Beckenham, 0208 662 6133 (TRADE)

SEDONA, 2.9 CRDi SE 7 seat Automatic Diesel, 2003, insurance group 11 abs air conditioning alloy wheels body coloured bumpers drivers airbag electricdoor mirrors electric sunroof electrically adjustable drivers seat folding rear seats front electric windows heated door mirrors height adjustable drivers seat immobiliser passenger airbag power steering radio/cassette radio/cd rear electric windows remote central locking roof rails steering wheel rake adjustment steering wheel reach adjustment. this vehicle is identical to picture shown. midnight black, 39000 miles, £9995, Masters Bromley Kia, Beckenham, 0208 662 6133 (TRADE)

SORENTO, 2.5 CRIl XE Automatic Diesel, 2006, ebony, miles, £17495, Masters Bromley Kia, Beckenham, 0208 662 6133 (TRADE)

SPORTAGE, 2.0 XS, 2007, silver, 50 miles, £15995, Masters Bromley Kia, Beckenham, 0208 662 6133 (TRADE)

LAND ROVER

LAND ROVER DEFENDER 110, 11 2001`, 2.5 td5 lwb hard top 4x4 27.000 miles fsh, £9995, Beaver Commercials, Ashford, 01233 634763 (TRADE)

FREELANDER, 2005, a/con alloys cd s/roof pas, grey, 20627 miles, £12495, WJ King Vauxhall, Farningham, 01322 862366 (TRADE)

FREELANDER, 2000, immobiliser alarm drivers airbag power steering central locking front electric windows, sky blue, 58000 miles, £4000, A 1 Carriages, Crayford, 01322 281525 (TRADE)

MAZDA

3, 2005, a/con alloys e/wind c/lock cd, metallic black, 22480 miles, £10495, WJ King Vauxhall, Farningham, 01322 862366 (TRADE)

MERCEDES-BENZ

A CLASS, A140 Classic SE, 2004, insurance group 5 abs air conditioning alarm body coloured bumpers drivers airbag electricdoor mirrors folding rear seats front electric windows front fog lights heated door mirrors height adjustable drivers seat immobiliser passenger airbag power steering radio/cd remote central locking service indicator side airbags steering wheel reach adjustment traction control, star silver, 35000 miles, £6493, A 1 Carriages, Crayford, 01322 281525 (TRADE)

A-CLASS, 1.6 A160 Classic (SWB) Hatchback 5d 1598cc auto, 00, 2000 W reg mercedes-benz a160 classic, 5 doors, automatic, hatchback, petrol, metallic silver. abs, adjustable seats, driver airbag, folding rear seats, electric mirrors, electric windows, foglights, immobiliser, head restraints, passenger airbag, radio/cassette, power assisted steering, rear headrests, remote locking, side airbags. £4, 999 p/x welcome, metallic silver, miles, £4999, SMC Mitsubishi Sittingbourne, Sittingbourne, 0845 3380900 (TRADE)

C-CLASS, 2.0 C200 Sport Estate 5d 1998cc auto, 00, 2000 W reg mercedes-benz c200 sport, 4 doors, automatic, saloon, petrol, metallic silver. abs, adjustable seats, adjustable steering column/wheel, air conditioning, alloy wheels, driver airbag, electric mirrors, electric windows, front armrest, immobiliser, passenger airbag, radio/cassette, power assisted steering, rear headrests, rear armrest, remote locking, side airbags, sports seats, traction control.insurance group:12, superb vehicle credit to last owner £7, 999 p/x welcome, metallic silver, miles, £7999, SMC Mitsubishi Sittingbourne, Sittingbourne, 0845 3380900 (TRADE)

MI320, i, 2000, silver, 74172 miles, £6995, Morris Forshaw, Maidstone, 01622 750 442 (TRADE)

MG

ZR, 1.4 105 Hatchback 3d 1396cc, 03, 2003 03 reg mg zr 1.4 105, 3 doors, manual, hatchback, petrol, 17, 000 miles, metallic grey. adjustable steering column/wheel, alloy wheels, computer, driver airbag, head restraints, folding rear seats, immobiliser, radio/cassette, sports seats, contact gary cheetham for more help, full service history. £6, 990, metallic grey, £6990, SMC Ford Sittingbourne, Sittingbourne, 0845 3891136 (TRADE)

ZS, 2.5 180 Saloon 4d 2497cc, 53, 2003 53 reg mg zs 2.5 180, 4 doors, manual, saloon, petrol, metallic black. abs, adjustable seats, adjustable steering column/wheel, air conditioning, alloy wheels, computer, driver airbag, folding rear seats, electric mirrors, electric windows, foglights, immobiliser, head restraints, lumbar support, passenger airbag, radio/cassette, remote locking, side airbags, sports seats. this is a stunning looking vehicles £7, 999 p/x welcome, metallic black, miles, £7999, SMC Mitsubishi Sittingbourne, Sittingbourne, 0845 3380900 (TRADE)

MINI

COOPER, 1.6 3dr, 2002, 1.6 3dr hatch, silver, 30729 miles, £8995, Masters Citroen, Penge, 0208 659 0909 (TRADE)

MINI, 1.6 One Hatchback 3d 1598cc, 03, 2003 03 reg mini one 1.6, 3 doors, manual, hatchback, petrol, 13, 200 miles, red, 1 owner. abs, adjustable steering column/wheel, driver airbag, electric mirrors, electric windows, head restraints, folding rear seats, lumbar support, immobiliser, passenger airbag, power assisted steering, remote locking, radio/cassette, side airbags, rear headrests, contact gary cheetham for more help, alloy wheels, full service history. £9, 490, red, £9490, SMC Ford Sittingbourne, Sittingbourne, 0845 3891136 (TRADE)

MITSUBISHI

CARISMA, 1.9TD Elegance Hatchback 5d 1870cc, 52, 2003 52 reg mitsubishi carisma 1.9 td di-d elegance, 5 doors, manual, hatchback, diesel, 28, 000 miles, metallic blue. abs, adjustable seats, air conditioning, alloy wheels, central locking, computer, cruise control, driver airbag, electric mirrors, electric windows, head restraints, folding rear seats, lumbar support, immobiliser, passenger airbag, power assisted steering, rear armrest, radio/cd, rear headrests.insurance group:10, £6, 000, metallic blue, £6000, SMC Mitsubishi Erith, Erith, 0845 3380939 (TRADE)

COLT, 1.1 Mirage 3dr (2005 -), 28/04/2005, grey, 10631 miles, £5999, Invicta Motors, Ashford, 01233 504400 (TRADE)

COLT, 1.3 Elegance Automatic, 2005, abs air conditioning alloy wheels audio remote control body coloured bumpers central locking drivers airbag electricdoor mirrors folding rear seats front electric windows front fog lights half leather seats heated door mirrors height adjustable drivers seat immobiliser passenger airbag power steering radio/cd rear electric windows remote central locking side airbags steering wheel rake adjustment trip computer, steel grey, 950 miles, £7750, Masters Group Mitsubishi Bromley, Beckenham, 0208 6587122 (TRADE)

COLT, 1.5 Sport, 2004, black, miles, £6995, Masters Group Mitsubishi Bromley, Beckenham, 0208 6587122 (TRADE)

GRANDIS, 2.0 D-ID Warrior Diesel 7 Seater, abs alarm alloy wheels body coloured bumpers climate control drivers airbag dvd electricdoor mirrors folding rear seats front electric windows front fog lights heated door mirrors height adjustable drivers seat immobiliser leather seats passenger airbag power steering radio/cd radio/cd multichanger rear electric windows remote central locking side airbags steering wheel rake adjustment trip computer, black, 1000 miles, £19995, Masters Group Mitsubishi Bromley, Beckenham, 0208 6587122 (TRADE)

L200, 2.5TD Trojan double Cab 4drs, 06, 2006 06 reg mitsubishi l200 trojan double cab 2.5td, 4 doors, manual 5 speed, all terrain, diesel, 1, 000 miles, metallic titanium grey. 4 wheel drive, airbag double, air-conditioning, alloys, as new delivery mileage, electric front windows, full leather interior, pas, roller shutter, sports bar. £16, 250 +vat, metallic titanium grey, £16250 + vat, SMC Mitsubishi Erith, Erith, 0845 3380939 (TRADE)

L200 ELEGANCE, 06, 2006 06 reg mitsubishi l200 elegance double cab automatic, 4 doors, automatic, all terrain, diesel, 4, 000 miles, metallic silver. 4 wheel drive, alloys, cd autochanger, central door locking, electricdoor mirrors, electric windows x 4, leather gear shift & steering wheel, leather trim, paint metallic, power-assisted steering, sidesteps, climate control, navigation system, tinted glass. £20, 249 +vat, metallic silver, £20249 + vat, SMC Mitsubishi Erith, Erith, 0845 3380939 (TRADE)
LANCER, 1.6 Elegance, 2007, abs air conditioning alloy wheels body coloured bumpers central locking drivers airbag electricdoor mirrors folding rear seats front electric windows front fog lights heated door mirrors height adjustable drivers seat immobiliser leather seats passenger airbag power steering radio/cd rear electric windows remote central locking side airbags steering wheel rake adjustment trip computer, grey, 1000 miles, £9512, Masters Group Mitsubishi Bromley, Beckenham, 0208 6587122 (TRADE)

OUTLANDER, 2.4 Sport SE Station Wagon 5d 2378cc auto, 06, 2006 06 reg mitsubishi outlander 2.4 mivec sport se, 5 doors, automatic, estate, petrol, 1, 000 miles, metallic silver. abs, adjustable seats, air conditioning, alloy wheels, central locking, climate control, computer, driver airbag, electric mirrors, electric windows, electric sunroof, foglights, front armrest, head restraints, folding rear seats, leather seats, lumbar support, immobiliser, passenger airbag, power assisted steering, rear armrest, roof rails, side airbags, radio/cd. £17, 000, metallic silver, £17000, SMC Mitsubishi Erith, Erith, 0845 3380939 (TRADE)

SHOGUN, 3.2DI-D Field Station Wagon 5d 3200cc auto, 06, 2006 06 reg mitsubishi shogun 3.2 di-d field, 5 doors, automatic, station wagon, diesel, 5, 000 miles, metallic silver. abs, adjustable seats, adjustable steering column/wheel, alloy wheels, central locking, climate control, computer, driver airbag, electric mirrors, electric windows, electric sunroof, foglights, front armrest, head restraints, folding rear seats, leather seats, immobiliser, passenger airbag, power assisted steering, rear armrest, roof rails, side airbags, radio/cd, rear headrests, traction control, 7 seats, balance of manufactures warranty, navigation system. power up-grade fitted £26, 000, metallic silver, £26000, SMC Mitsubishi Erith, Erith, 0845 3380939 (TRADE)

SHOGUN PININ, 03, 2003 03 reg mitsubishi shogun pinin 1.8 mpi attivo ii, 3 doors, automatic, estate, petrol, metallic blue. adjustable seats, air con, alloys, central locking, computer, driver airbag, folding rear seats, electric mirrors, electric windows,immobiliser, head restraints, passenger airbag, radio/cd, power assisted steering, rear headrests, roof rails. £7, 499 p/x welcome, metallic blue, miles, £7499, SMC Mitsubishi Sittingbourne, Sittingbourne, 0845 3380900 (TRADE)

SHOGUN SPORT, 06, 2006 06 reg mitsubishi shogun sport 2.5 td warrior, 5 doors, manual, station wagon, diesel, 50 miles, metallic black. abs, air con, alloys, central locking, computer, driver airbag, folding rear seats, electric mirrors, electric windows, foglights, front armrest, immobiliser, head restraints, leather seats, passenger airbag, radio/cd, power assisted steering, roof rails, sports seats. £19999 p/x welcome, metallic black, £19999, SMC Mitsubishi Sittingbourne, Sittingbourne, 0845 3380900 (TRADE)

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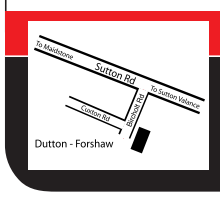

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SPACE WAGON, 1997, insurance group 13 1 registered keeper central locking front electric windows power steering, midnight blue, 76000 miles, £2000, A 1 Carriages, Crayford, 01322 281525 (TRADE)

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NISSAN CABSTAR, 1998, 2.5 d cherry picker one owner edf elec comp priestman rb37 125 swl 60.000 miles, £5995, Beaver Commercials, Ashford, 01233 634763 (TRADE)

ALMERA, 1.8 SE Auto, 2005, grey, 17000 miles, £7495, Morris Forshaw, Maidstone, 01622 750 442 (TRADE)

MICRA, 2003, cd c/lock e/wind pas a/bag, metallic blue, 19954 miles, £5495, WJ Klng Vauxhall, Woolwich, 020 8854 8161 (TRADE)

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PEUGEOT 206, 10 2004, 1.4 hdi van white 13.000 miles cd elec pack fsh, £4995, Beaver Commercials, Ashford, 01233 634763 (TRADE)

PEUGOT 206, quicksilver 2001, silver, 59000 miles, GTI interior and conversion c/l, electric and tinted windows, cd, alarmed, £3000 spent on car in last 6 months, new MOT and tax, £3250, 01795874033 / 07956273400 (PRIVATE)

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206, 1.6 16v Coupe Cabriolet S (a/c) Cabriolet 2d 1587cc, 51, 2001 51 reg peugeot 206 1.6 s cabriolet, 2 doors, manual, cabriolet, petrol, blue. abs, adjustable seats, air con, computer, driver airbag, electric mirrors, electric windows, foglights, front armrest, immobiliser, head restraints, radio/cd, power assisted steering, rear armrest, remote locking, p/x welcome, miles, £8999, SMC Mitsubishi Sittingbourne, 0845 3380900 (TRADE)

307, Sw, 2003, blue, 25000 miles, £6995, Morris Forshaw, Maidstone, 01622 750 442 (TRADE)

406, 2.0 GLX Auto [SR], 1998, remote central locking electric windows climate control power steering immobiliser alarm drivers airbag, diablo red, 78000 miles, £1793, A 1 Carriages, 01322 281525 (TRADE)

PARTNER, Combi Hdi 2.0, 2003, silver, 32474 miles, £5995, Morris Forshaw, Maidstone, 01622 750 442 (TRADE)

RENAULT

RENAULT KANGOO, 05 2006, 1.5 dci venture 5 door hatch pink sticker removable white orginal leather trim 10.000 miles, £6495, Beaver Commercials, Ashford, 01233 634763 (TRADE)

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CLIO, PRIVILEGE 1.5 dci 5dr, 2006, trim: cloth engine size: 1500 transmission: manual no. of doors: 5, tempest, 13900 miles, £10495, Palm Bay, Margate, 01843 298554 (TRADE)

CLIO, 1.2 16v Extreme Hatchback 3d 1149cc, 05, 2005 05 reg renault clio 1.2 16v extreme, 2 doors, manual 5 speed, hatchback, petrol, 6, 227 miles, metallic red. abs, adjustable steering column/wheel, air conditioning, alloy wheels, computer, driver airbag, folding rear seats, electric windows, immobiliser, head restraints, passenger airbag, radio/cd, power assisted steering, remote locking, side airbags. £5, 999 p/x welcome, metallic red, £5999, SMC Mitsubishi Sittingbourne, Sittingbourne, 0845 3380900 (TRADE)

LAGUNA, EXPRESSION 2.0 AUTO 2005, 2006, trim: cloth engine size: 2000 transmission: automatic no. of doors: 5, mercury, 10407 miles, £10495, Palm Bay, Margate, 01843 298554 (TRADE)

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MEGANE, DYNAMIQUE 1.6, 2006, trim: cloth engine size: 1600 transmission: manual no. of doors: 5, mercury, 14360 miles, £9995, Palm Bay, Margate, 01843 298554 (TRADE)

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MODUS, DYNAMIQUE 1.6 AUTO, 2007, trim: cloth engine size: 1600 transmission: automatic no. of doors: 5, mercury, 5 miles, £10995, Palm Bay, Margate, 01843 298554 (TRADE)

SCENIC, PRIVILEGE 1.9DCI, 2004, trim: part leather engine size: 1900 transmission: manual no. of doors: 5, flame red, 20900 miles, £9795, Palm Bay, Margate, 01843 298554 (TRADE)

SCENIC, DYNAMIQUE 1.6, 2006, trim: cloth engine size: 1600 transmission: manual no. of doors: 5, hologram grey, 0 miles, £10495, Palm Bay, Margate, 01843 298554 (TRADE)

TRAFIC, SH29 DCI 100 SWB, 2004, trim: cloth engine size: 1900 transmission: manual no. of doors: 2, white, 18900 miles, £8995, Palm Bay, Margate, 01843 298554 (TRADE)

ROVER

45, 1.4 iL 16v Hatchback 5d 1396cc, 03, 2003 03 reg rover 45 1.4 il 16v, 5 doors, manual, hatchback, petrol, blue. abs, adjustable seats, adjustable steering column/wheel, air conditioning, driver airbag, electric mirrors, electric windows, immobiliser, head restraints, lumbar support, park distance control, passenger airbag, radio/cd, remote locking, side airbags. £3, 999 p/x welcome, blue, miles, £3999, SMC Mitsubishi Sittingbourne, Sittingbourne, 0845 3380900 (TRADE)

75, 2.0 CDTi Club Saloon (131Ps) 4d 1951cc auto, 53, 2003 53 reg rover 75 2.0 cdti club, 4 doors, automatic, saloon, diesel, 20, 300 miles, metallic blue. abs, adjustable seats, adjustable steering column/wheel, air conditioning, alloy wheels, central locking, computer, driver airbag, electric mirrors, electric windows, head restraints, lumbar support, immobiliser, passenger airbag, power assisted steering, rear armrest, remote locking, radio/cassette, side airbags, rear headrests, contact gary cheetham for more help.insurance group:10, rover 75 diesel & automaticyour contact for this car is gary cheetham, call and tell me about your p/x or to booka test drive. rover 75 diesel & automatic £7, 495, metallic blue, £7495, SMC Ford Sittingbourne, Sittingbourne, 0845 3891136 (TRADE)

SEAT

ALHAMBRA, 1.9TDI PD Reference MPV 5d 1896cc (2005), nh05bfk, specification includes anti-lock brakes, driver seat height adjustment, driver, passenger and front side air bags, air-conditioning, volumetric alarm, remote central door locking, electric/heated door mirrors, front and rear electric windows, immobiliser, front fog lamps, more than five head restraints, headlamp adjustment, rake/reach adjustable steering column/wheel, power-assisted steering, radio/cd, rear wash wipe, rev counter, split rear seat and tinted glass. roof rails. reflex silver, 29781 miles, £12990, Sherlodge Garage, Gillingham, 01634 377444 (TRADE)

AROSA, 2004, alloys cd, platinum grey, 27488 miles, £5995, WJ King Vauxhall, Swanley, 01322 662890 (TRADE)

SKODA

FABIA, 1.2 Comfort Hatchback 5d 1198cc, gn04yyz, specification includes anti-lock brakes, driver seat height adjustment, driver and passenger air bags, in dash cd player, remote central door locking, computer, memory electric/heated door mirrors, front electric windows, immobiliser, front fog lights, front/rear head restraints, headlamp adjustment, rake/reach adjustable steering column/wheel, power-assisted steering, radio/cassette, rear wash wipe, rev counter, split rear seat and tinted glass. one previouS registered keeper. 12 months used vehicle warranty. diamond silver metallic, 41850 miles, £5690, Sherlodge Garage, Gillingham, 01634 377444 (TRADE)

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ROOMSTER, 1.9TDI PD 3 5-Dr MPV, ky56wnb, specification includes 16in "atria" alloy wheels, air-conditioning, alarm, anti-lock brakes, cruise-control, driver, passenger and side air bags, driver/passenger seat height adjustment, electric sunroof, electric/heated door mirrors, front electric windows, front fog lights, front/rear head restraints, headlamp adjustment, immobiliser, power-assisted steering, radio/cd/mp3, rake/reach adjustable steering column/wheel, rear parking aid, rear wash wipe, remote central door locking, rev counter, single play cd player, split rear seat and tinted glass. remainder of 3 years/60, 000 mile manufacturers warranty. ex-demonstrator. ocean blue metallic, 2610 miles, £12990, Sherlodge Garage, Gillingham, 01634 377444 (TRADE)

SUPERB, 2.5 V6 TDI Elegance Saloon 4d 2496cc auto, gk07wso, specification includes 17in alloy wheels, 5 speed automatic gearbox, 6 disc compact disc player, acoustic rear parking sensors, alarm, anti-lock brakes, audio/cruise control steering wheel mounted controls, climate control, computer, cruise control, driver, passenger and front side air bags, driver/passenger electric seats, driver/passenger seat height adjustment, driver/passenger seat lumbar support, electric sunroof, electric/heated door mirrors, electronic stability programme, front armrest, front fog lights, front/rear electric windows, front/rear head restraints, front/rear heated seats, headlamp adjustment, headlamp washers, immobiliser, power-assisted steering, radio, rake/reach adjustable steering column/wheel, remote central door locking, rev counter, satellite navigation and sunset privacy glass from b pillar. remainder of 3 years/60, 000 mile manufacturers warranty. blue storm metallic, 2000 miles, £17690, Sherlodge Garage, Gillingham, 01634 377444 (TRADE)

GRAND VITARA, 2004, cd c/lock e/wind alarm pas, silky silver, 5600 miles, £6995, WJ King Vauxhall, Bromley, 020 8464 3456 (TRADE)

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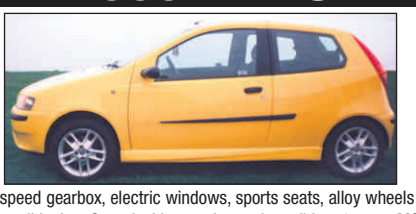

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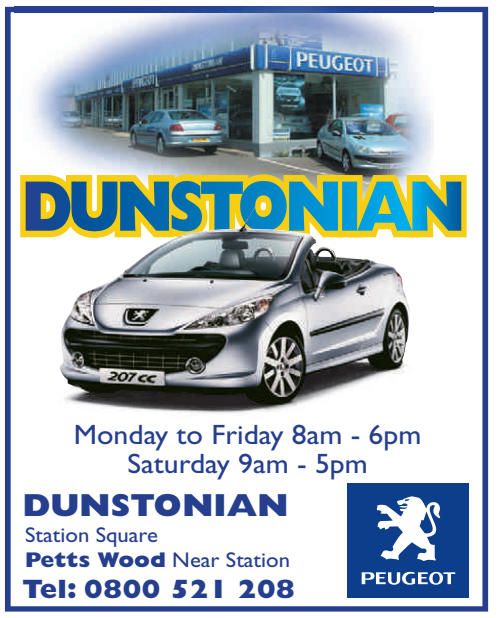

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COROLLA, 2.0 D-4D T3 5dr (2002 - 2004), 07/11/2003, cd player abs driver airbag power steering immobiliser electric windows, blue, 50541 miles, £7699, Invicta Motors, Canterbury, 08444 992321 (TRADE)

RAV4, 2003, a/con alloys s/roof, silver, 54372 miles, £10995, WJ Klng Vauxhall, Woolwich, 020 8854 8161 (TRADE)

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VAUXHALL COMBO 1700, 09 2004, 1.7 di white side door lined cd c/ locking 37.000 miles, £4995, Beaver Commercials, Ashford, 01233 634763 (TRADE)

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AGILA, 2004, pas c/lock a/bag, star silver, 22633 miles, £5295, WJ King Vauxhall, Bexleyheath, 020 8303 2299 (TRADE)

ASTRA, 2001, a/con alloys cd c/lock e/wind, petrol blue, 36495 miles, £3995, WJ King Vauxhall, Bromley, 020 8464 3456 (TRADE)

ASTRA CABRIOLET, 2005, abs alloy wheels cd player central locking driver airbag driver electric front windows exterior mirrors electric exterior temperature power steering radio rear window heated revolution counter wheel wiper rear window, silver, 7711 miles, £12999, FGBarnes, Maidstone, 01622 755531 (TRADE)

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Concerns some best buy tables are 'misleading'

Building society calls for FSA intervention

By **CHRIS MURPHY**
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A LEADING building society has slammed the use of 'best buy tables' by some financial institutions.

Kent Reliance Building Society said some companies are simply unscrupulous and accuses them of misleading consumers.

It claims they are providing potentially misleading information that could lead to consumers making the wrong decisions.

Chief executive, Mike Lazenby, said: "In a service industry that has failed to treat customers fairly, we have been obliged to adhere to standards that ensure customers are treated fairly.

"It is a poor state of affairs when companies unscrupulously mislead the consumer and that is why financial services needed FSA intervention.

"Financial services companies need no encouragement to try to mislead the customer, yet they are getting that encouragement from some compilers of best buy tables who present data in a way that is possibly misleading."

He said best buy tables are misleading if they include products with introductory bonuses or rates – or if the sale is conditional upon the purchase of another product, as in recent ISA products introduced by two leading high street giants.

Informed choice

Kent Reliance is also concerned about compilers that fail to include data from a provider unless they pay an annual fee.

The building society calls on best buy table compilers to adhere to a code of practice that compares genuine like-for-like products so consumers can make a clear and informed choice.

This would mean banning any product with a temporary rate or bonus, or excluding any product that is conditional upon the sale of another.

Mr Lazenby added: "Introductory bonuses rely upon the inertia of customers to take up the offer and then forget.

"It would be far better for customers to have information about providers who offer consistently good products at competitive rates.

"We have recently been told our data is going to be excluded from one best buy database because we will not pay a fee – and we are thinking of raising the issue with the FSA in the interests of consumer fairness.

"Best buy tables are influential in consumer buying decisions – possibly more so than advertising. Perhaps it is time to regulate tables in the same way that advertising is regulated."

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Fisher lands vital role with property expert

RPC Land and New Homes has strengthened its land team with the appointment of Nigel Fisher.

Mr Fisher, a chartered surveyor, joins RPC, which has offices in Ashford, Maidstone, Chatham, Tonbridge, and Dartford, having spent the last 17 years as a land agent working in estate and property management as well as acquisition and disposal of land for the Ministry of Defence in Kent and East Sussex.

Working as an area land director, Mr Fisher, who is married and lives near Canterbury, will be based in the Ashford office focusing on east Kent.

The 43-year-old said: "I'm relishing getting stuck into my new role. I have an extensive working knowledge of south and east Kent and am looking forward to applying that experience to my work with RPC."

RPC managing director, Peter Randall, said: "We are delighted to have someone of Nigel's experience and expertise joining us.

"His arrival is further evidence of our success, which has been built on the foundations of a reputation of being professional in our dealings with landowners and residential developers alike."

NEW ROLE: Nigel Fisher, 43

CBI predicts interest rate rise this autumn

INTEREST rates are likely to rise to 5.75 per cent this autumn in an effort to bring inflation back below target by the end of 2008, the CBI has warned.

With inflationary pressures increasing over the last three months, the CBI has factored a quarter point interest rate increase into the outlook.

But the business organization believes a reversal to 5.5 per cent is likely by the end of next year.

Higher borrowing costs mean slightly weaker economic growth is now expected for 2008, says the South East branch.

The annual growth rate for 2007 remains unchanged at 2.9 per cent, but next year's growth will ease to 2.4 per cent, down 0.2 per cent on the CBI's March forecast.

Malcolm Hyde, CBI South East regional director, said: "Recent oil price rises, sharp increases in food costs, higher than expected import prices and businesses rebuilding profit margins after last year's squeeze have all added to inflationary pressures.

"Higher borrowing costs will make economic growth slightly weaker next year as consumer spending is reined in."

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Save yourself a lot of hassle

LAST week, the Department for Work and Pensions published its response to the consultation on the personal accounts scheme due to be implemented in 2012.

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At present, millions of people are failing to save enough for their retirement, and the Government believes one of the best ways to tackle this culture of under saving is to automatically enrol people into a new system of personal accounts.

Employees, employers and the State will contribute to this low-cost scheme. Individuals will be given the choice over how to invest their funds and the freedom to opt out of the scheme if they wish.

Personal accounts will also be portable, which means they can be transferred between employers and periods of employment.

For some time the pension industry has been nervous that these personal accounts would seem more attractive to people than personal pensions, and feared the take up of personal pensions would drop come 2012.

However, this latest response reveals the Government intends to cap contributions to personal accounts at £3,600 per annum, rather than the £5,000 it previously proposed, which means for many who are serious about saving for retirement a personal account just won't suffice.

Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, John Hutton, said: "It is important that personal accounts complement, rather than compete with, existing high-quality pension provision."

Contributions to personal accounts are proposed to be eight per cent of salary over £5,000, with employers contributing three per cent, employees three per cent and tax relief of one per cent.

Employees who are not already in pension schemes of a sufficient quality will be auto enrolled.

Those who wish to opt out of the scheme will be able to, although auto-enrolling will take place every three years, so anyone wishing to opt out will have to do so every three years.

The Government believes that inertia will mean lots of people stay in and pay pension contributions and are estimating around six to 10 million people will contribute.

I think they may be surprised and find there is not as much inertia as they think.

Sign of the times

BUSINESSES now have less than two weeks to ensure their premises are ready for the biggest change in health legislation in the last 50 years.

From Sunday, July 1, virtually all enclosed public places and workplaces will become smoke free, bringing England into line with the rest of the British Isles.

However, as well as ensuring premises remain smoke free, there is also another important aspect of the new legislation.

Every business is required to display a no-smoking sign at each entrance of their premises, as must work vehicles, which are also affected by the legislation.

Failure to do so carries a maximum fine of £1,000, or a fixed-penalty notice of £200.

The no-smoking signs are subject to strict criteria – they must be A5 size, display the international no-smoking symbol in colour, a minimum of 70mm in diameter and carry the words, 'No smoking. It is against the law to smoke in these premises,' in characters that can be easily read.

Symbol

A no-smoking sign that simply displays the no-smoking symbol in colour, a minimum of 70mm in diameter, is also required at entrances to smoke-free premises which are for staff only as long as the premises displays at least one A5 sized sign with wording.

This is also the case where the premises are located within other smoke-free premises, for example, a shop within an indoor shopping centre.

The signage can be downloaded by visiting the Smokefree England website, www.smokefreeengland.co.uk where more guidance on the signage is also available.

The new legislation will cover shops, offices, factories, pubs, restaurants, public transport and work vehicles that are used by more than one person.

Indoor workplace smoking rooms are also being banned, so anyone wishing to smoke will have to go outside instead.

Failure to prevent smoking in an enclosed space could result in a fine of £2,500 for the owner of the premises, and any individual caught smoking in an enclosed space can also be fined up to £200, or receive a fixed-penalty notice of £50.

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LLOYDS TSB SCOTLAND	**RT** Fixed **R%** 5.29% **L** 95% **U** 31/07/2009 **OD** £2,500 Arrangement
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EXCLUSIVE

By **CHRIS BRITCHER**

DOVER Athletic chiefs have vehemently denied a whispering campaign that they were behind the shock move which has seen Ryman League rivals Dartford made to switch divisions.

At a heated meeting of Ryman League clubs earlier this week, the Darts were voted out of Division One South and into Division One North.

Darts' chiefs say the switch came out of the blue and has left rival Kent clubs counting the cost of losing one of their biggest money-spinning local derbies.

It also deprives the likes of Ashford Town, Cray Wanderers, Sittingbourne, Chatham, Dover Athletic and newly promoted Whitstable Town a visit to Dartford's award-winning new £6m Princes Park stadium.

Remarkably, it will be Dartford's third different league in three seasons, having been switched from the Southern League to Ryman League South and now to Ryman League North.

Upset

Angry Dartford officials refused to point the finger at individual clubs, but said they felt there had been discussions prior to the meeting which sealed their fate.

Co-chairman Bill Archer told KoS: "We have to abide by the decision but we are upset about it and what we see as the way in which it was done.

"Most of the clubs in the South section loved us, but there were a couple who I believe pursued their own ends by moving us out of the league. The North clubs could see the benefits, as we're well supported and bring at least two coach-loads of fans with us to every away match.

"It just seems some clubs saw moving us out of the league ensured one of their main rivals for promotion were removed.

"We had absolutely no idea until the AGM that we were going to move. In fact, we had been reassured in recent weeks we were not among the clubs being considered for a switch."

Sources at the meeting hinted the club in question was Dover Athletic – now managed by ex-Gills star Andy Hessenthaler. They suggested a letter circulated prior to the meeting put Dartford's name in the frame.

But Dover chairman Jim Parmenter has denied claims his club were behind the move and said the letter did not mention their rivals.

He told KoS: "I sent an open letter to the directors of the league in support of Molesey – a club in Surrey who for some obscure and stupid reason were placed in the Northern section of the league – a move which was likely to put them out of business.

"I said in the letter there were at least seven clubs who should have moved before Molesey. I didn't mention Dartford and I didn't mention Dartford at the meeting. That was mentioned by a representative from Tilbury I believe.

"Any suggestion we were pushing for Dartford to be moved is absolutely untrue. All I did was write a letter in support of a club I felt was being unfairly treated.

"The meeting did get chaotic and I think things should have been dealt with beforehand. I thought the proposal to run 21 teams in the north and 23 in the south, which would have meant no-one had to move, was a sensible suggestion but that was voted down."

Dartford say they have been advised against appealing the decision and, instead, say they now intend to battle for promotion.

After leading a nomadic lifestyle since the sale of their Watling Street ground in 1992, Dartford moved back to the town for the first time last season with the opening of their Princes Park Stadium.

The venue, with a host of environmental features, including a 'living' grass roof, opened to a sell-out crowd of 4,100.

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The only way is up

Kent skipper Key points the way for Twenty20 campaign

SITTING around while the Friends Provident Trophy semi-finals were contested this past week was hard to bear. But, in all honesty, we only have ourselves to blame.

It has been a difficult time, following the defeats at Tunbridge Wells against Hampshire and Gloucestershire, and knowing that just one win in those two games would have seen us having a tilt at a Lord's final.

But we have had a rethink following those disappointments, and a revamped batting order for the Twenty20 Cup is one area where we feel improvements can be made in our one-day cricket.

Myself and Joe Denly are now back at the top of the batting order, after dropping down to the middle during the Friends Provident campaign, and although Geraint Jones is scheduled to bat at three in the Twenty20 games, we will have more of a 'championship' look to our batting line-up.

Having a top three in the Trophy of Jones, Darren Stevens and Andrew Hall did not exactly fail, but I don't think we ever had the benefit of one of them going on to play a really big innings.

One-day batting is about being smart, as much as anything else, and playing the conditions and the match situation as well as trying to impose yourself on the opposition bowling.

During the Twenty20 Cup group stage, which began on Friday and continues until July 6, either myself or Joe will be looking to bat through if we get established – which will allow the rest of the team to bat around us in the second half of the innings.

We will obviously be flexible in our line-up during matches, but it did cross our minds during the Friends Provident game against Hampshire, for instance, that we could have reverted to a more orthodox batting line-up once we knew what we had to chase.

In hindsight, that was a run chase where, on a pretty decent pitch, we needed to be 60 or 70 for one after the first 15 overs, with some steady batting.

But we put ourselves under pressure by giving away four wickets early on, and even then brilliant knocks by Matt Walker and Ryan McLaren took us to the point where we could easily have won with five runs needed from the last over.

It was sickening when Matt got out when only three runs were needed from four balls, but because we had run out of batsmen at the other end it gave Hampshire the chance to progress through to the semi-finals instead.

We know we should have beaten them. We even let them get a few more runs than they should have, after we had bowled excellently at them earlier in their innings.

And, in the next game against Gloucestershire, it was more of a case that losing the toss condemned us to batting second on a pitch where that was a distinct disadvantage.

SWITCH: Geraint Jones (left) will make way for Joe Denly at the top of Kent's batting order Pictures: ADY KERRY

But while it was soul-destroying to see Essex, a team we had beaten in the group stage, also join Hampshire in the semi-finals, we must now use the huge frustration of failing to reach the last four of the Friends Provident – when we had led the South Conference table for so long – as the perfect incentive to do well in both the Twenty20 and the Pro40 League, which begins in mid-July.

We are now in the second division of the Pro40, of course, but I believe we are a good enough one-day side to get to the top of that division as well as having a successful Twenty20 Cup.

Our new signing Morne Morkel, meanwhile, is someone we feel could be a bit of a gem.

He's come over initially as a temporary replacement for Andrew Hall in the Twenty20 games – because of Andrew's call-up by South Africa – but we also have an option to bring Morne back towards the end of the season when Andrew could again be away on international duty.

Morne is still quite young – he turns 23 this October – but he has already played a Test match for South Africa, and he can also hold a bat as well as being a tall and lively bowler. He's also had experience of Twenty20 cricket and I think he will be a real asset to us.

The Twenty20 games have come at a great time for us, because it has meant we have been able to get stuck straight in to another competition so soon after the massive disappointment of the Friends Provident.

Losing the toss up at Old Trafford in our last championship match was also a massive blow, and led eventually to us not being able to hold out for a draw there as we had done quite comfortably against Yorkshire at Tunbridge Wells in the previous game.

So, all in all, it has been a bad couple of weeks, but the Twenty20 Cup is here now and establishing a momentum is so important in this type of high-risk cricket. Confidence is also vital, but we owe it to ourselves to get out there and – this time - really show what we can do.

• ***Rob Key, the Kent captain and England batsman, is one of Kent on Sunday's regular sports columnists.***

Kelly goes back to school

ATHLETICS: Double Olympic gold medallist Dame Kelly Holmes was back in the county this week urging youngsters to get more involved in PE lessons at school.

The Hildenborough athlete visited schools in Sittingbourne, Belvedere and Orpington in her role as the Government-backed national school sport champion – trying to get 85 per cent of youngsters to perform four hours of sport a week by 2010.

Cathy stakes claim

HOCKEY: Canterbury hockey ace Cathy Gilliat-Smith says she believes she did enough in England's recent trip to Azerbaijan to keep her place in the international set-up.

With qualifying coming up for the Beijing Olympics, England finished third, with Gilliat-Smith scoring in the final game to clinch the bronze medal.

She told KoS: "I feel I played to my strengths in this tournament and it's great to put a few goals away. You can't ignore someone who puts the ball in the back of the net."

Quick fire games

CRICKET: Kent's hectic Twenty20 Cup fixture list continues this week, with a jaunt around the home counties.

The Spitfires entertain neighbours Sussex at Canterbury on Tuesday night before heading to Uxbridge to take on Middlesex the day after. They round off the week with a trip to face Essex at Chelmsford on Friday.

Kent will be hoping new-boy Morne Morkel dazzles. The South African has been drafted in as short-term replacement for Andrew Hall.

Duo get honoured

AWARDS: The director of sports at the University of Kent at Canterbury has spent the week getting used to being an MBE.

Michael Wilkins was awarded the gong in the Queen's Birthday Honours List for services to higher education and to sport.

Also recognised with an MBE was Margaret Borley, coach of the Tonbridge Bobcats youth baseball team for services to sport.

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Four in and three out at Priestfield

MATT Jarvis, Frannie Collin and Michael Flynn have all bid farewell to Gillingham this week as boss Ronnie Jepson began ushering in the men he believes will fire the team into the promotion places next season.

Jarvis' long-anticipated departure saw the 21-year-old sign a two-year deal with Championship side Wolves – believed to be worth around £500,000 to the Gills – while Flynn, 26, rejected a renewed deal to keep him at Priestfield; a move which seems certain to see him leave.

GONE: Matt Jarvis

Also out the door went young striker Collin. He joined the growing band of ex-Gills stars at Dover Athletic under new boss Andy Hessenthaler. The 20-year-old penned a one-year deal at the Crabble.

However, there was good news for the Priestfield faithful as four new faces booked in at the Priestfield reception desk.

They are Rotherham United striker Delroy Facey, 27 – as revealed by Kent on Sunday three weeks ago – Cheltenham United left-back Craig Armstrong, 32, Barnet midfielder Barry Cogan, 22, and Swindon Town's Aaron Brown, 27. All arrived on a tree transfer.

Meanwhile, a familiar face joined the back-room staff as former striker Iffy Onuora returned as first-team coach.

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SWISS MISS FOR NAOMI

Teen facing toughest test of her life against former champ Hingis

By **CHRIS BRITCHER**

WIMBLEDON wildcard Naomi Cavaday could create one of the greatest acts of Grand Slam giant-killing this week – as she clashes head on with former champion Martina Hingis.

That is the challenge awaiting the Chislehurst ace after the two were drawn together in the first round of the grass court extravaganza which starts tomorrow.

As one of the most recognisable faces in world sport, Hingis will be looking to sweep the young left-hander to one side as she looks to emulate her success 10 years ago when, aged just 16, she became the youngest player to win a Wimbledon championship.

But Cavaday, 18, will not be the complete pushover many suspect. She is tipped to become the first British woman in eight years to break into the top 100 players in the world and has recorded some good recent form on grass.

This match, however, will be her toughest task yet. Ranked number nine in the world, the 26-year-old Hingis has won prize money in excess of £10m and netted five Grand Slams in a glittering career.

Top ten

She spent a staggering 209 weeks as world number one before injuries forced her to retire in 2002 aged just 22. But in 2006 she returned to the world stage and quickly re-established herself among the world's top ten.

Cavaday, on the other hand, has so far won just £17,000 in her young career and is currently at a career-high ranking of 233 in the world.

She's no stranger to the strawberries and cream of Wimbledon, however.

The Kent starlet appeared in last year's first round – losing out to then-world number 19 Ai Sugiyama from Japan. Ironically, Sugiyama went on to knock out Hingis in the third round.

But it was the junior section where Cavaday dazzled – reaching the last eight.

The manner in which she played attracted the attention of legendary coach Nick Bollettieri. With the backing of the Lawn Tennis Association, Cavaday was sent to his academy in Florida; the breeding ground for a host of stars such as Andre Agassi, Maria Sharapova and Monica Seles.

Since then she has started rising up the world rankings and earlier this month recorded one of the biggest wins of her career when she beat Russian Vasilisa Bardina in straight sets – a player ranked 182 places above her – at the DFS Classic in Birmingham.

Her talent has also attracted the attention of sports marketing giants IMG – the company which has helped mastermind the careers of the likes of Tiger Woods and Maria Sharapova – who have signed her up.

They were keeping her out of the spotlight this week in order to allow her to build up to one of the sport's best-loved Grand Slams without distractions.

A spokeswoman for IMG told KoS: "Naomi has worked very hard in recent months leading up to Wimbledon and we're confident she will perform to the best of her ability. It's an important time for her."

And while Hingis will no doubt have her eye on landing the £700,000 winner's cheque – equal to the men's top prize money for the first time – Cavaday can at least take heart that even if she loses her first-round game she is guaranteed a £10,000 pay day.

Cavaday is also competing in the ladies' doubles alongside fellow Brit Elena Baltacha, who made headlines four years ago when she reached the third round of the singles.

The duo were drawn against France's Stephanie Foretz and Tunisia's Selima Sfar in the first round. If they progress, they are likely to face the number one seeds in round two – Lisa Raymond of the USA and Australia's Samantha Stosur.

TOUGH DRAW: Naomi Cavaday (inset) has it all to do at SW19 against Martina Hingis

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